



DISCUSSION GUIDE

BIBLICAL ACCOUNTABILITY

John 15:17, Romans 12:10, 14:13, Ephesians 4:25, Colossians 3:13, Galatians 6:2

This discussion is based on the Leadership Circle article “What Is Biblical Accountability”, available at <https://leadadmin.org/articles/what-about-biblical-accountability>.



PERSONAL ICE BREAKER QUESTIONS

Use one of these to get the group talking about today’s topic:

- How are you accountable to others in your life? Your parents, your boss, your teachers, the law—in what ways are you held to a standard?
- Why is it important for a Christ-follower to be submitted to Jesus in all areas of life?
- What does a person look like who is not accountable to Christ or others? Do you see people like this in our culture? What are their characteristics?



PERCEPTUAL IN-DEPTH DISCUSSION

Go in-depth with these questions. Based on your available time, choose 3-4 that you believe are most thought-provoking:

- Read John 15:17 and Romans 12:10. Why does the Bible tell us to love each other? How will loving each other help us be accountable?
- Read Ephesians 4:25. Why is honesty among neighbors important?
- Read Romans 12:16 and Colossians 3:13. What do you believe the Bible means by “bear with each other”?
- Among Christians, why does the Bible give so much instruction on how we are to interact with each other?
- Why is it important that we speak to other Christians with kindness and humility?
- How can you incorporate forgiveness into your life when thinking about biblical accountability?



PRACTICAL PUT IT INTO ACTION

- Begin praying this week about who you can develop and accountability relationship with. You should seek another Christ-follower who demonstrates maturity in their faith and temperament in their character.
- Make a list of challenges in your life and character that you want to work on. This is a private list. As you choose an accountability partner or group, open up the first of these challenges and ask for help in developing your character through accountability.
- Think about relationships in your life that need a temperate heart and a forgiving spirit. Ask God to help you restore and build those relationships.