



HomeGroup Discussion Guide

October 31-November 6, 2021 – The Soul of Community – an Accountable Community

Devotion: What does it mean to be an accountable community? The word accountable is defined as “a person, organization, or institution required or expected to justify actions or decisions.” We all practice accountability in our relationships, job performance, or maybe even lifestyle choices. We are accountable for the choices and decisions we make. As a community of believers, we are held accountable to the scriptures, the example of Jesus, and the leading of the Holy Spirit. As a community of Christ-followers, we must confess our sins to one another, love one another, pray for one another, encourage one another, and forgive one another. This is what the scriptures say.

Colossians 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

James 5:16 Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.

1 Thessalonians 5:11 Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

In order to walk in this kind of accountability, we must walk in relationship with one another. It is hard to be vulnerable and share what may be really going in your life. However, I do believe it is the way the Lord intended for us to live. A homegroup setting is a perfect way to bear one another's burdens and see the power of God at work.

Scripture – Read Galatians 6:1-2

- Question 1 What prevents us from opening up to one another?
- Question 2 How can we create space for vulnerable conversations?
- Question 3 How has sharing your heart with someone brought healing in your life?

How is it with your soul? (Go around and share as you look back to the “good and the bad” of this week and then look forward to what you can do or where you want to see God move this week.)

- o Where have you seen God this week?
- o Where have you struggled this week?
- o How can you be open to God/the Holy Spirit this week?

Prayers