

C3 Group Questions

Accountability: Did you read/listen to the Bible & pray this week on a regular basis? If so, share what stood out to you in your time with God?

Ice Breaker: When something goes wrong, even in a small way, is your instinct to blame others or to take responsibility? How does this affect your relationships with others?

Review: What one thing stood out to you (either helpful, insightful or troubling) from the weekend's message?

Individual: Take 1-2 minutes individually to read & think on Genesis 3:9 where after Adam sinned it says, *"But the Lord God called to the man...."*

Group Discussion:

Share what the passage above is saying to you? What hope does it give you when you mess up & sin?

Talk about a time when you've seen someone repeat mistakes from the past because that person didn't take ownership of his or her part of those mistakes.

Why do you think it's so difficult for people to recognize their own roles in past mistakes?

What are some things in your past from which you've hidden? In what ways did that make you unavailable for the people in your life?

In what ways has avoiding blame made you unavailable to the primary people in your life?

What is one area of your life where you haven't owned your part of past results? What can you do this week to begin to own your part? What can this group do to support you?

How can this group pray for you this week? Who in this group can you pray for this week?

During the Week: (*"Do not merely listen to the word.....Do what it says."* James 1:22)

We can't blame our way into a better future. Blame enables us to smuggle our issues into our future. Blame sets us up for repeat performances. Purity of heart brings clarity of thought. If you want to take all of yourself into the future as you start over, you've got to come out of hiding. It's painful. It's shameful. But it's beneficial. Besides, admitting sets other people free as well.

Own it so it won't own you, so it won't follow you into the future.