

# ACCOUNTABILITY

I allow open and honest feedback in my life.

GOD

CHURCH

WORLD

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## WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?

**READ Matthew 18:15-17.** Jesus gives us a very clear outline and action steps to take when we see another Jesus follower in sin. Describe the process.

What is the desired outcome of Jesus' command and why does He command it?

Why do Jesus followers typically refuse to follow these instructions, and what do they typically do instead? What is usually the outcome of that?

**READ James 5:13-16.** We are told to confess our sins to each other. What is the result of this happening?

**READ Proverbs 12:15 and 14:9.** What kind of a person refuses to hear advice or correct their sin? Why does the Bible call them this?

**READ James 5:19-20.** What happens when we help others in their areas of sin and weakness?

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## WHAT'S OUR PART?

**READ 1 John 1:8-9.** John wrote this to people who already believed in Jesus, the Church. He still warns us to confess our sins. Why?

What is your typical response when someone approaches you about something you have done wrong? What should it be?

Who do you have in your life that you allow to speak personal, honest, and direct truth to you?

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## NEXT STEPS

### PRAY

Ask the Lord to soften your heart and make you aware of sin in your life that needs to be confessed.



### SHARE

Get a small group of Jesus followers of your gender together and practice confession and accountability on a regular basis. Gulp! Do it; the Lord will surprise you with great things!



### WRITE

Make a list of the things the Lord has corrected in your life and how your life became better because He did it.

