

THE *Big 3*

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Accountability relationships can hold deep meaning and value for many, while for others it can conjure up feelings of failure, shame, or defeat.

Here are three key things to believe and consider about accountability in your life...

1. **Doing life with others who know you well enough to understand where your unbelief in the gospel hides, is key to true accountability relationships.** Remember, discipleship is the process of helping each other move from unbelief to belief, in light of the gospel, in every area of life. Let your accountability relationships include discipleship, the nurturing of each other's hearts, *and* accountability to the truth.
2. **God is not focused on your sin because he's already dealt with it at the Cross! He no longer wants us focused on it either.** Do you believe that all of your sins have been forgiven? Do you believe what the Bible teaches, that sin is actually the unbelief about God that leads to actions, feelings, or emotions that are not in line with his glory? This is important if we are to experience true gospel-centered accountability with others.
3. **Accountability with others is built on trust and understanding—this takes time together.** It requires you to actually be in the normal life of those you are accountable to, and visa versa. If you are not doing life together, it's too easy to hide or lie or minimize what is really going on in our lives. Accountability, like true discipleship, takes an investment of our lives in the lives of others.

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