

Fellowship and Accountability

As Christians, we are all members of one family called the “Body of Christ.” We need each other for mutual encouragement and help to grow in our relationship with the Lord. That is why fellowship is so important! Along with that fellowship, our interaction with others can and should encourage us to be accountable in our actions, words, and lifestyle so that we are living a godly life before the world.

As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another. (Proverbs 27:17)

We who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak and not to please ourselves. Each of us should please his neighbor for his good, to build him up. (Romans 15:1-2)

Nobody should seek his own good, but the good of others. (1 Corinthians 10:24)

God has combined the members of the body and has given greater honor to the parts that lacked it, so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other.... Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. (1 Corinthians 12:24-25, 27)

Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. (Philippians 2:3-4)

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching. (Hebrews 10:24-25)

Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted. Carry each other’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. (Galatians 6:1-2)

1. How am I “responsible” for other people?
 2. What is accountability?
 3. What does it mean to sharpen one another?
 4. How do I please my neighbor for *his* good?
 5. What does it mean to consider others better than ourselves?
 6. How can we spur one another on in a positive way?
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MEMORIZE: Hebrews 10:24-25