

THE BEST IS YET TO COME

a study of Ezekiel

Taking Responsibility Ezekiel 18

Personal responsibility is the pathway to personal transformation.

1. Owning my _____ before
God
(18:1-4)

2. Owning my _____ from
God
(18:20-22)

3. Owning my _____ toward
God
(18:23, 30-32)

MY APPLICATION

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or small group.

1. Ours is a culture of avoiding personal responsibility for our choices. Describe a time when someone played the blame game toward you. How did that make you feel? What should that person have done instead?
2. God holds individuals accountable for their own choices. In what ways does this truth encourage you? In what ways does it challenge you?
3. We grossly underestimate the extent of our need for God's mercy. Have each person complete the formula: $3 \text{ sins/day} \times 365 \text{ days/year} \times \text{your age} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$. How many reminders do you have of your daily need for God's mercy? How does this make you feel toward God?
4. The entire life of the believer is to be one of repentance. Share about a time when you repented toward God. How can you make this a daily habit?
5. Take time this week and pray through the 4 gospel steps of repentance. (<https://bit.ly/AllOfLifelsRepentance>)

Memory Verse

Rid yourselves of all the offenses you have committed, and get a new heart and a new spirit. Why will you die, people of Israel? For I take no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Sovereign Lord. Repent and live!

Ezekiel 18:31-32