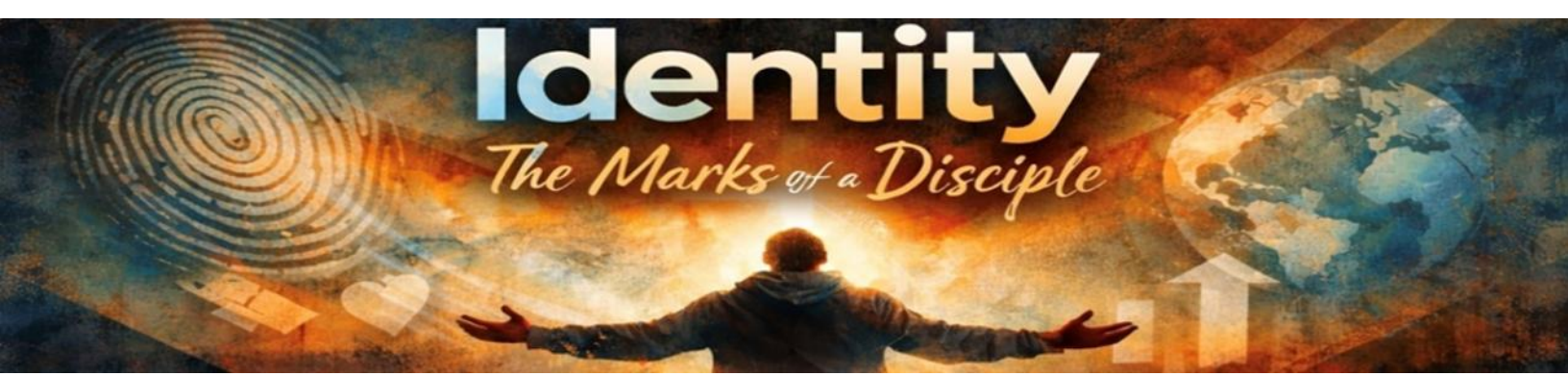




Accountable to One Another

James 5:13-20

Bro. Chris Davenport, September 27, 2026

Introduction: Our adoption into the family of God demands that we live accountable to one another to help ensure God-honoring living.

1. The _____ for Accountability v15

Jeremiah 17:9-10 The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it? 10 "I the Lord search the heart and test the mind, to give every man according to his ways, according to the fruit of his deeds."

Warren Wiersbe - "Sin affects the whole church. We can never sin alone for sin has a way of growing and infecting others."

2. The _____ Responsibility for Accountability v16a

Proverbs 28:13 Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.

Deitrich Bonhoeffer - "Sin demands to have a man by himself. It withdraws him from the community. The more isolated a person is the more destructive will be the power of sin over him. Confession in the presence of a brother is the profoundest kind of humiliation. It hurts, it cuts a man down, it is a dreadful blow to pride."

3. The _____ Responsibility for Accountability v16b

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. 10 For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow. But woe to him who is alone when he falls and has not another to lift him up! 11 Again, if two lie together, they keep warm, but how can one keep warm alone? 12 And though a man might prevail against one who is alone, two will withstand him—a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

R Kent Hughes - "Mutual confession enhances mutual prayer and makes possible the bearing of one another's burdens"