

STARTING OVER

Week 3: Starting Over “OWN IT”

One reason history repeats itself is that we don't own our parts of our history. And the reason you don't own it is there's nothing to own—it wasn't your fault! But if something important has come to an end and you are starting over, you must look back and own your part in order to move ahead. Your best bet for a successful future is to own your share of the past.

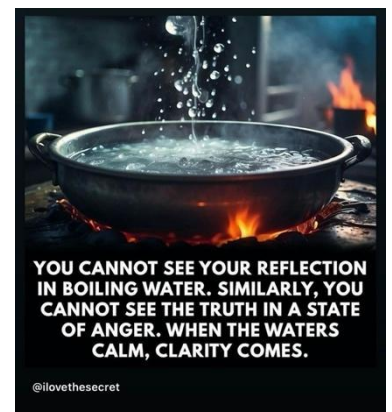
**This guide is designed to help you create meaningful conversations. Adjust the questions as needed, and don't feel like you need to answer all of them.*

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What stood out to you the most from the weekend message?
2. Why did that stand out to you most? What do you think God might be trying to say? (It's ok if you're just guessing. This will give you some space to process what it might be.)
3. When something goes wrong, even in a small way, is your instinct to blame others or to take responsibility? How does this affect your relationships with others?
4. Talk about a time when you've seen someone repeat mistakes from the past because that person didn't take ownership of his or her part of those mistakes.
5. Why do you think it's so difficult for people to recognize their roles in past mistakes?
6. What are some things in your past from which you've hidden that have come back to show up again in your present and future?

Jesus said, ***“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.”***
(Matthew 5:8)

7. Similarly, Curt referenced this unknown Proverb this weekend (image). Talk about a time when you have experienced this.
8. Spend a few minutes discussing one of the following 2 questions:
 - If you've drawn the circle and started some reflection, is there anything you're willing to share with the group that you are discovering?
 - Or, what can you do this week to begin to own your part?



Wrap It Up: Make sure to go around the circle and pray for each other at the end of your meeting, and any ways you can support each other throughout the week.

**Adapted from Northpoint Resources, Starting Over*



More from the Weekend

Join us this weekend for part three of the series Starting Over, as we look at how to change our mindset so the next time is better than the last. Remember to invite your friends & family. See you next week!