

STARTING OVER

Starting Over Discussion Questions

January 10, 2016 - Part 2: Own It

NOTES

One reason history repeats itself is that we don't own our parts of our histories. And the reason you don't own it is because 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. Own it so it won't own you and follow you into the future.

HANGOUT (*warming up to the topic*)

1. 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 other?
2. 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.
3. Why do you think it's so difficult for people to recognize their roles in past mistakes?

HEAR (*listening to God through Scripture*)

4. Read Genesis 3:1-13. What verse or idea stands out to you? What are the dangers of half-truths and spun stories? What do we learn about God in this passage? What do we learn about people?

HUDDLE (*making it personal and prayer*)

5. What is one area of your life where you haven't owned your part of past results? What can you do this week to begin to own your part? What can this group do to support you?