

THE NINE TRANSFORMING PRACTICES

ACCOUNTABILITY FORM

This accountability form will help you keep each other accountable as you seek to apply these nine practices. Our discipleship is enhanced when we are a part of a small group or community of believers who offer us nurture, support, friendship, and accountability.

Keep a copy of this form handy (in your Bible, your bag, your journal, or somewhere else close by).

Once a week, pull this form out and write some answers to the questions on the form.

Once a month, ask everyone in your group to pull their forms out, and then discuss each of the nine practices. Hold each other accountable for the commitments you make. Ask each question of yourself, and also ask them together (e.g. “How am *I* reimagining the church, and how are *we* reimagining the church *together*?”) This group accountability will help you to continue to grow and change.

REIMAGINE CHURCH: THE FIRST PRACTICE:

Reimagine the church as the new humanity in Jesus Christ.

(1) How am I reimagining the church, after reading this chapter? How are we doing this together?

(2) What do I need to change about my life or attitudes, so I can pursue this practice fully? What do we need to change together?

(3) What questions and insights came up for me, as I thought about and applied this practice this week?

RENEW LAMENT: THE SECOND PRACTICE:

Renew our ability to lament together.

(1) How am I renewing lament, after reading this chapter? How are we doing this together?

(2) What do I need to change about my life or attitudes, so I can pursue this practice fully? What do we need to change together?

(3) What questions and insights came up for me, as I thought about and applied this practice this week?

REPENT TOGETHER: THE THIRD PRACTICE:

Repent of white (or other) cultural captivity, and racial and gender injustice, and of our complicity.

(1) How am I repenting, after reading this chapter? How are we doing this together?

(2) What do I need to change about my life or attitudes, so I can pursue this practice fully? What do we need to change together?

(3) What questions and insights came up for me, as I thought about and applied this practice this week?

RELINQUISH POWER: THE FOURTH PRACTICE:

Relinquish (give up) our own righteousness, status, privilege, selfish ambition, self-interests, vain conceit, personal gain, and power.

(1) How am I relinquishing power, after reading this chapter? How are we doing this together?

(2) What do I need to change about my life or attitudes, so I can pursue this practice fully? What do we need to change together?

(3) What questions and insights came up for me, as I thought about and applied this practice this week?

RESTORE JUSTICE: THE FIFTH PRACTICE:

Restore justice to those who have been denied justice.

(1) How am I restoring justice, after reading this chapter? How are we doing this together?

(2) What do I need to change about my life or attitudes, so I can pursue this practice fully? What do we need to change together?

(3) What questions and insights came up for me, as I thought about and applied this practice this week?

RELISH DIVERSITY: THE SIXTH PRACTICE:

Relish diversity (choosing to be a people of every nation, tribe, people, and tongue), while cultivating unity in diversity.

(1) How am I relishing diversity, after reading this chapter? How are we doing this together?

(2) What do I need to change about my life or attitudes, so I can pursue this practice fully? What do we need to change together?

(3) What questions and insights came up for me, as I thought about and applied this practice this week?

REINFORCE AGENCY: THE SEVENTH PRACTICE:

Reinforce agency, which is people's ability to make free, independent, and unfettered actions and choices.

(1) How am I reinforcing agency, after reading this chapter? How are we doing this together?

(2) What do I need to change about my life or attitudes, so I can pursue this practice fully? What do we need to change together?

(3) What questions and insights came up for me, as I thought about and applied this practice this week?

RECONCILE RELATIONSHIPS: THE EIGHTH PRACTICE:

Reconcile through repentance, forgiveness, justice, partnership, and relationship.

(1) How am I reconciling relationships, after reading this chapter? How are we doing this together?

(2) What do I need to change about my life or attitudes, so I can pursue this practice fully? What do we need to change together?

(3) What questions and insights came up for me, as I thought about and applied this practice this week?

RECOVER LIFE TOGETHER: THE NINTH PRACTICE:

Recover life together as a transformed community that lives out the vision of the Sermon on the Mount.

(1) How am I recovering life together, after reading this chapter? How are we doing this together?

(2) What do I need to change about my life or attitudes, so I can pursue this practice fully? What do we need to change together?

(3) What questions and insights came up for me, as I thought about and applied this practice this week?
