

# Hope City Church

Going Deeper Notes | 10.23.22

Hebrews 13:17 | Exodus 17:8-16 | Matthew 12:33-37 | James 5:16 | Proverbs 27:17

## Who's got your back?

**Icebreaker:** Just for fun, share with your growth group or another friend—What are the names of a famous duo that comes to your mind (i.e. Batman & Robin, Tom & Jerry, etc.)? What do you remember about them?

### Going Deeper:

- 1) Read Hebrews 13:17 (p. 929, Life Transformation Bible, LTB). When you think of those who have been entrusted with a position of leadership, how does this verse about how they will be held accountable for that position encourage (or discourage) you? Thinking about your own interactions with the people God has placed in your life, how does this verse about how you will be held accountable impact the way you see your level of responsibility as you invest in the lives of others?
- 2) In Exodus 17:8-16 (p. 57, LTB), there is a powerful imagery used to describe how God invites us to be a part of each other's lives when we are faced with the battles that come our way. What things do you notice about this section from the Old Testament?
- 3) Think back on a time when there was a significant battle that you faced. Who was there to help you get through that time? How did they encourage you? And who is around you right now that is also going through a significant challenge in their life? How are you encouraging them?
- 4) In this passage from Matthew 12:33-37 (p. 743, LTB), we read that a tree is identified by its fruit—the things we say, and the things that we do, and the ways we are influencing the people around us. What would the people around you say is the fruit being cultivated from your life? What would God want to say to you about the fruit in your life (or maybe the absence thereof)?

**Action:** Who's got your back? Everyone of us will be held accountable, based on the things we have been given and what we have been entrusted with. What area of your spiritual life, do you believe God wants to develop in you during this next month? Why is this particular thing important to you? What do you need to do in order to see this growth occur? Who will help to keep you accountable to reaching that goal...?

### Accountability Partners

Who do you meet with for personal accountability?

When do you meet?

What do you discuss?

How is this helping you to stay focused and helping you to grow, spiritually?

### Suggested Questions for Your Accountability Partner

What significant events happened in your life this past week?

How did you see God show up?

How are you intentionally growing closer to God? What does this look like?

Where did you struggle this past week? How did that happen?

What will you do differently this next week, so you won't fall into that same situation or temptation?

What is one goal you would like to accomplish for this next week?

Is there anything you forgot to mention?

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