

## Taking Ownership and Responsibility

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### Scripture References:

- Galatians 6:5-10, *NLT*
- Genesis 3:11, 12, *NLT*

### Summary:

*Emotional maturity is a basic requirement for a successful life; one of the components of this is a willingness to be accountable for what we say and do. A mature person is able to be honest, admit their mistakes, and not make excuses or blame others; by contrast, emotionally immature people avoid taking accountability, and therefore keep running into the same problems. God doesn't expect us to be perfect; when we fall short, acknowledging our mistake and moving on keeps us from getting stuck in the problem. Stepping up to the plate and accepting responsibility for **our** role in how a situation turns out goes a long way in the process of maturing.*

### Notes:

1. Assuming responsibility for our actions leads to a greater level of success in life.
2. How we respond to life determines either our success or our failure; the finished works of Jesus freed us from the penalty of sin, but *doesn't* excuse us from taking responsibility for our thoughts and actions.
3. Ways to build ownership and take responsibility for our lives include starting to notice our blaming tendencies and practicing our power of choice; we *always* have a choice. They also include becoming accountable and trying discomfort.

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