

*Why the "One Anothers" Matter*



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Summer Series

Identify some of our Main Things

Renew why we are committed to them

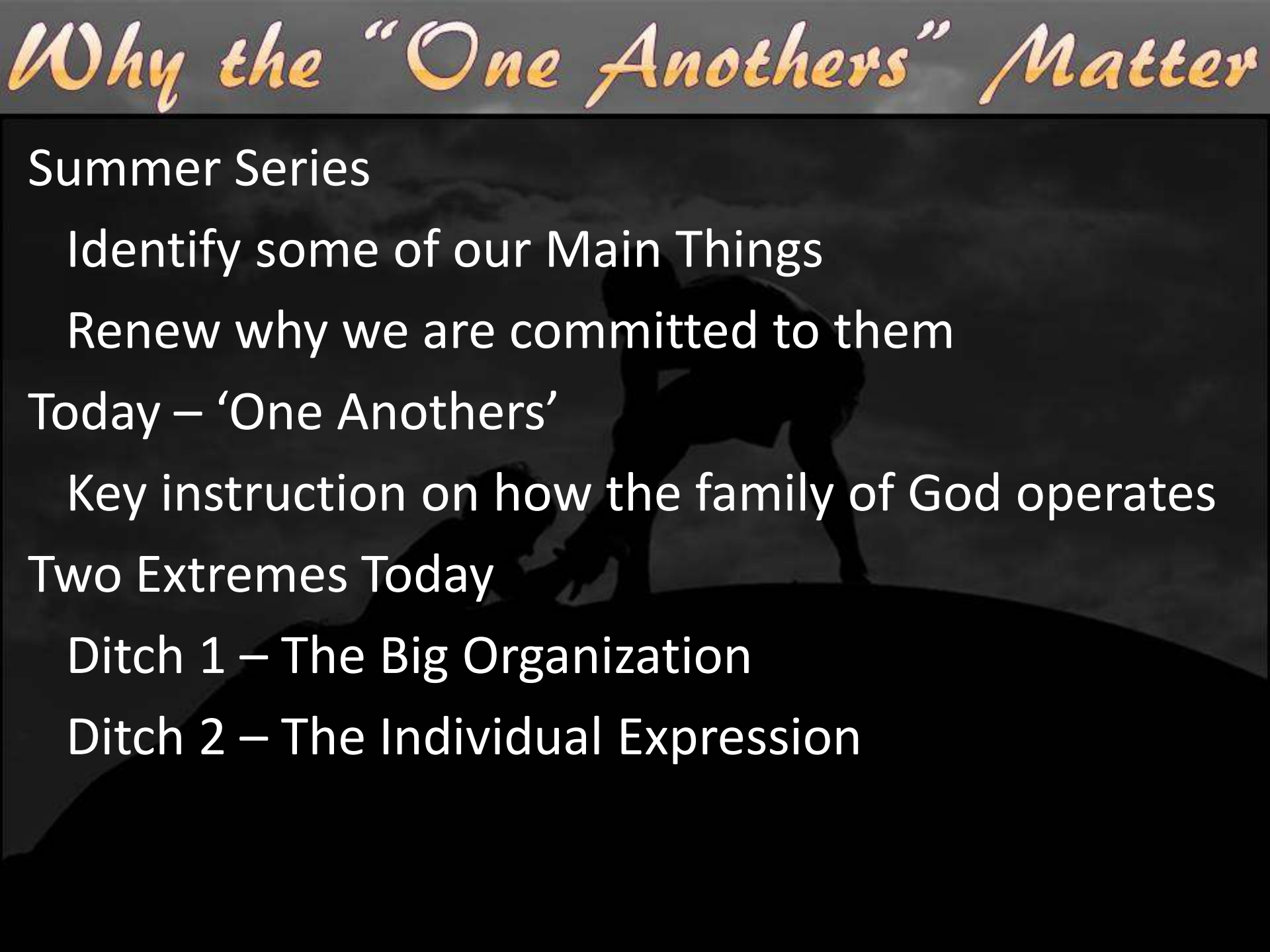
Today – 'One Anothers'

Key instruction on how the family of God operates

Two Extremes Today

Ditch 1 – The Big Organization

Ditch 2 – The Individual Expression



# Why the "One Another's" Matter

## 1. Biblical Mandate

How to "one another" is pretty clear in Scripture

- John 13:34-35 *"<sup>34</sup> A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."*

- basic identifier, the clear mark of a follower of Jesus, a brother or sister in the family - Love

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## a) Accept one Another

- 1 John 4:11 *"<sup>11</sup> Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another."*

- Romans 15:5-7 *"<sup>5</sup> May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup> Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God."*

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- Romans 12:15-16 <sup>15</sup> *Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.* <sup>16</sup> *Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly.*

b) Encourage & Build Up one Another

- Heb 10:24-25 <sup>24</sup> *And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works,* <sup>25</sup> *not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.*

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- 1 Cor. 12:24-26 *"But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, <sup>25</sup> that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. <sup>26</sup> If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together."*

- 1 Thess. 4:18 *"<sup>18</sup> Therefore encourage one another with these words."*

- Heb. 3:13 *"<sup>13</sup> But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin"*

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c) Bear with, Forgive one another

- Col. 3:13-15 <sup>12</sup> Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, <sup>13</sup> bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. <sup>14</sup> And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. <sup>15</sup> And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful."

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- 2 Cor. 3:11 *"<sup>11</sup> Finally, brothers, rejoice. Aim for restoration, comfort one another, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you"*
- Eph 4:32 *"<sup>32</sup> Be kind to one another, tender hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you."*
- James 5:16 *"<sup>16</sup> Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed."*



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## d) Submit to One Another

- Eph. 5:19-21 <sup>19</sup> *addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart,*  
<sup>20</sup> *giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,*  
<sup>21</sup> *submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ."*

- Romans 12:18 <sup>18</sup> *If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all."*

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- Romans 15:5 <sup>5</sup> *May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus*"

## *e) Serve One Another*

- Galatians 5:13 *"For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another."*

- 1 Peter 4:10 <sup>10</sup> *As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace"*

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- 1 Thess. 4:12-15 "We ask you, brothers, to respect those who labor among you and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, <sup>13</sup> and to esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves. <sup>14</sup> And we urge you, brothers, admonish the idle, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with them all. <sup>15</sup> See that no one repays anyone evil for evil, but always seek to do good to one another and to everyone"

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## f) Honor One Another

- Romans 12:9-13 *"Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. <sup>10</sup> Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. <sup>11</sup> Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. <sup>12</sup> Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. <sup>13</sup> Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality."*

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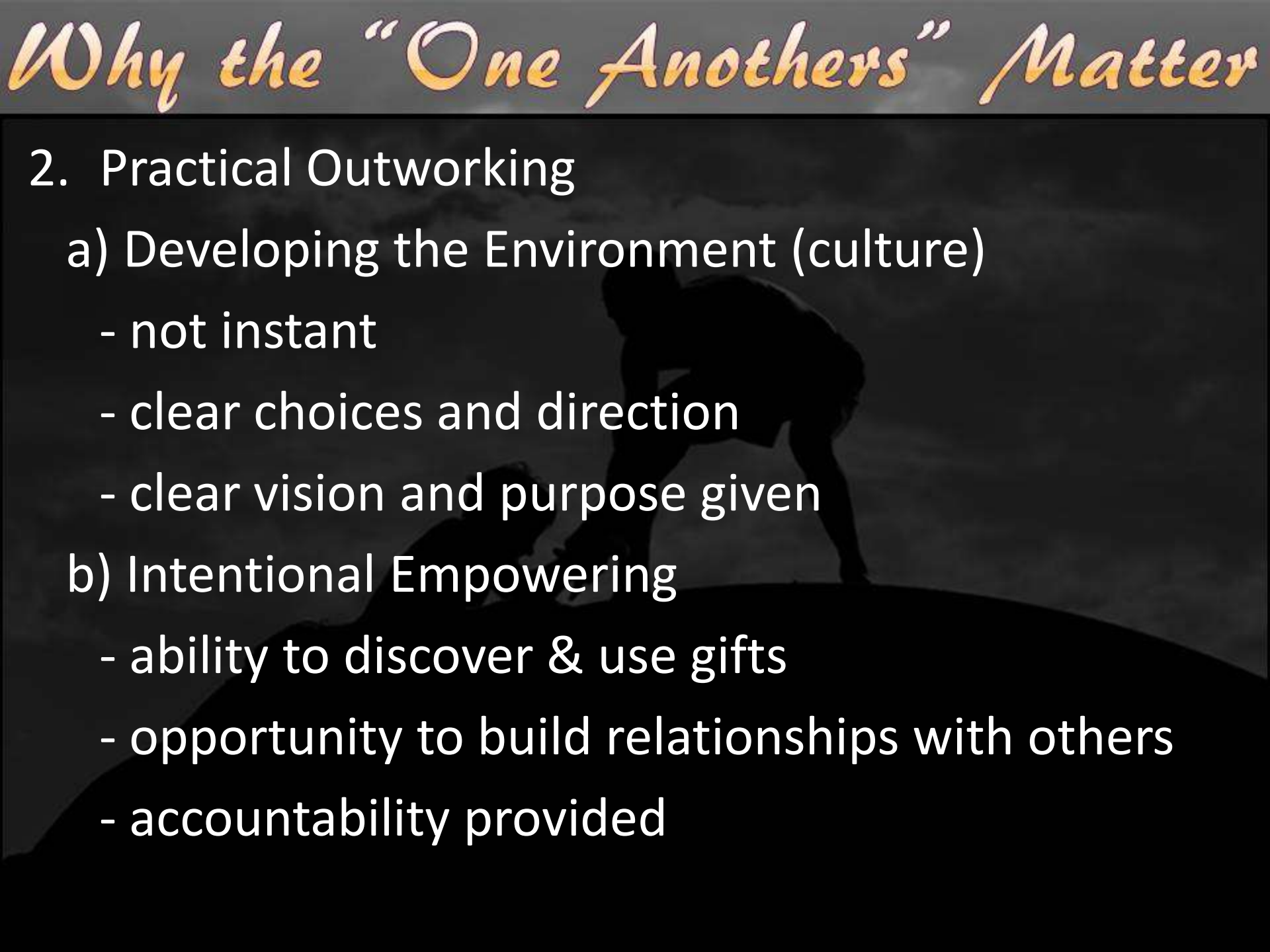
## 2. Practical Outworking

### a) Developing the Environment (culture)

- not instant
- clear choices and direction
- clear vision and purpose given

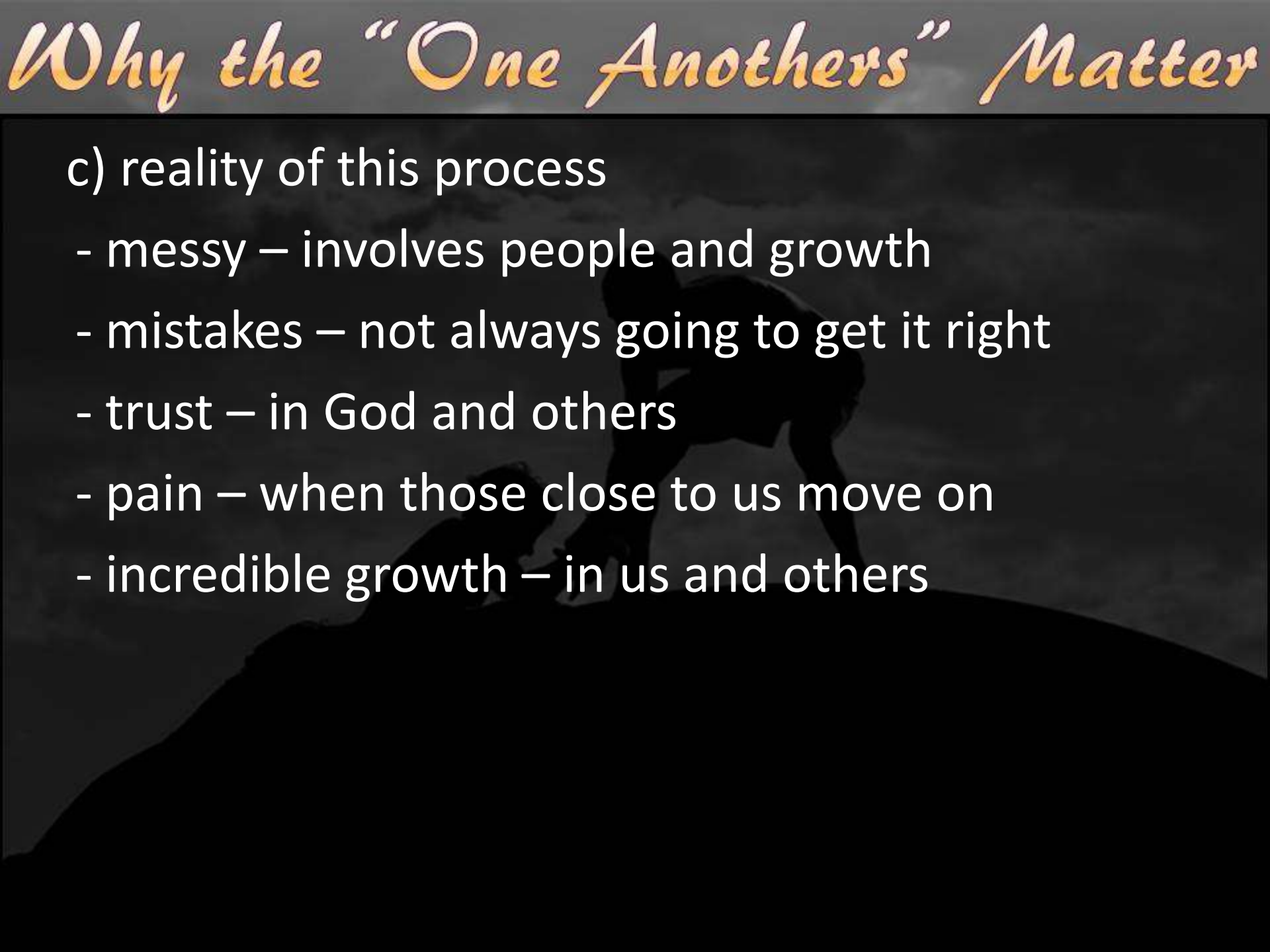
### b) Intentional Empowering

- ability to discover & use gifts
- opportunity to build relationships with others
- accountability provided



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c) reality of this process

- messy – involves people and growth
  - mistakes – not always going to get it right
  - trust – in God and others
  - pain – when those close to us move on
  - incredible growth – in us and others
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- The background of the slide features a dark, atmospheric scene with silhouettes of two people on a hill. One person is in the foreground, leaning forward with their head down, while another person stands behind them, leaning over as if to help or support. The scene is set against a light, hazy sky, creating a sense of struggle and mutual aid.

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## So What

1. Committed to a One Another Culture
  - creating space for you to engage
  - calling to sacrificial involvement
  - biblical model
2. Trusting In.....
  - gifting and empowering of the people of God
  - those called to keep us accountable
3. Invitation
  - join us on the journey