

SPIRITUAL JOURNEY EVALUATION

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It is certainly true that the experience of spiritual growth and discipleship is a **process**. This process takes time, involves many steps, and for most, is somewhat erratic, including stops along the way to catch one's breath. The Bible tells us that "The Good Shepherd knows His sheep." Additionally, Peter writes that church leaders are to "Shepherd the flock of God." To do **our** job and help you along your spiritual journey, we must know our sheep just like Jesus does. To enable us to do this, would you please thoughtfully complete the following checklist. Thank you for helping us to be the best shepherds we can be.

For Questions #1-26, please use the following scale:

1 = Strongly disagree 2 = Somewhat Disagree 3 = Somewhat Agree 4 = Strongly agree

PLEASE CIRCLE YOUR ANSWERS.

1. I have finalized my decision to trust Christ as Savior. 1 2 3 4
2. I am absolutely sure I'll go to heaven when I die..... 1 2 3 4
3. I understand the **need** for personal Bible study, prayer, fellowship, and sharing my faith..... 1 2 3 4
4. I understand the purpose of the church and my need for it. ... 1 2 3 4
5. I understand that it is God's will for me to be a growing disciple and what is involved in this. 1 2 3 4
6. I have experienced the relevance of ministry..... 1 2 3 4
7. I have a clear picture of what God generally wants me to do in ministering to others. ... 1 2 3 4
8. I have seen discipleship modeled and have been challenged to grow as a disciple 1 2 3 4
9. I have seen the gospel shared effectively. 1 2 3 4
10. I am committed enough to join a weekly small group (not just Sunday School) or one-on-one relationship which will hold me lovingly accountable to turn the beliefs listed in Question #3 above into life habits. 1 2 3 4

11. I feel an internal desire to minister to and reach others for Christ. 1 2 3 4
12. I am consciously trying to model my life after Christ, not just mentally but behaviorally..... 1 2 3 4
13. I am usually willing to suffer rather than yield to temptation.... 1 2 3 4
14. I am consistently involved in some ministry, at least as an apprentice..... 1 2 3 4
15. I am presently involved in a small group or one-on-one relationship with (a) mature Christian leader(s), which will last at least nine months ,in which I am finally developing **consistent** habits of daily devotions, frequent Bible study, prayer, evangelism, and Christian priorities.... 1 2 3 4
16. At one time I developed some or all of the habits described in Question #15 above, but I maintained those habits for **less than** one year. 1 2 3 4
17. I have **completed** the challenge of **consistently** practicing the habits of daily devotions, frequent Bible study, prayer, and evangelism for a period of **at least** one year. 1 2 3 4

18. I am consistently involved in a ministry and **could** train an apprentice to do what I do. 1 2 3 4
19. I am bearing fruit. 1 2 3 4
20. I can maturely handle temptation, suffering, and rejection most of the time..... 1 2 3 4
21. I am presently continuing to **consistently** practice the habits of daily devotions, frequent Bible study, and prayer..... 1 2 3 4
22. I am presently continuing to consistently practice the habit of sharing the gospel with unbelievers. 1 2 3 4

23. I am involved in a relationship, small group, or leader training where I am consistently held accountable to practice the basics and grow **beyond them**, or I am willing to become involved in such a relationship or group..... 1 2 3 4
24. **I am training others** to do what I do in ministry or to do another ministry. 1 2 3 4

25. I am constantly abiding in Christ and my behavior is actually continuing to change to be like Him. 1 2 3 4
26. I have been training apprentices or equipping others for ministry for more than two years and would continue to do so even if no one supervised me. 1 2 3 4

For Questions #27-31, please use the following scale:

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| 1 = Almost every day | 6 = About once a month |
| 2 = 3 to 5 times a week | 7 = About once a quarter |
| 3 = Several times a week | 8 = About once a year |
| 4 = About once a week | 9 = Less than once a year |
| 5 = Several times a month | 10 = Never |

27. How often do you have a personal time of Bible reading and prayer? 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
28. How often do you **study** your Bible? 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
29. How often do you pray for over 5 minutes? 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
30. How often do you share the gospel? 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
31. How often do you lead a person to receive Christ as Savior? 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

32. In the last 3 years, how many persons have you personally won to Christ (excluding your own children) who now attend this church at least once a month?
33. How long ago did you finalize your decision to trust Christ as Savior? _____ years

(Important: Leaving question 34 blank will invalidate the entire questionnaire. Please give us your best answer.)

34. Three years ago, the phase of spiritual life I was in was **best** characterized by the statements in
- Questions 1-10 (or I was not a Christian 3 years ago).
 - Questions 11-17.
 - Questions 18-24.
 - Questions 25-26.
35. During the last six months, I feel my spiritual life and commitment to Christ, as evidenced by my **changed behavior**, has been
- Quickly sliding backward.
 - Slowly sliding backward.
 - Staying about the same.
 - Growing slowly.
 - Growing quickly.
36. My present feeling about my spiritual life is
- I'm dissatisfied with my growth but am not committed enough to do anything about it.
 - I'm dissatisfied with my spiritual growth and truly want to grow more.
 - I'm satisfied with my present spiritual growth rate.
 - I'm growing too fast and need a slower pace.

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| Funct. Ph. (1-4) | Cur. Cond. (B,S,G) |