

Self-Evaluation Questions

Feel free to print these off, cut them out, and even re-size them and paste them onto index cards. Set aside a few minutes each week to take 2-3 cards and reflect on how you're doing.

“Then when he arrived and witnessed the grace of God, he rejoiced and began to encourage them all with resolute heart to remain true to the Lord” (Acts 11:23)

*“and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds”
(Hebrews 10:24)*

**Have I encouraged others to
serve the Lord?**

“And He said to him, ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’”

(Matthew 22:37)

“We love, because He first loved us.”

(1 John 4:19)

“For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments; and His commandments are not burdensome.” (1 John 5:3)

Have I loved God?

“The second is like it, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’” (Matthew 22:39)

*“But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you”
(Matthew 5:44)*

*“But the fruit of the Spirit is love...”
(Galatians 5:22)*

Have I loved others—even my enemies?

“Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her” (Ephesians 5:25)

“Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.” (Ephesians 6:4)

“encourage the young women to love their husbands, to love their children” (Titus 2:4)

“Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honor your father and mother” (Ephesians 6:1-2)

Have I loved my family?

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; nor does anyone light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.” (Matthew 5:14–16)

Have I exemplified God’s righteousness?

“Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven will enter.” (Matthew 7:21)

“But prove yourselves doers of the word, and not merely hearers who delude themselves.” (James 1:22)

Have I applied God’s Word to myself?

“If You, LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with You, that You may be feared.”

(Psalm 130:3–4)

“For if you forgive others for their transgressions, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others, then your Father will not forgive your transgressions.” (Matthew 6:14–15)

Have I shown mercy and forgiveness?

“Never pay back evil for evil to anyone. Respect what is right in the sight of all men. If possible, so far as it depends on you, be at peace with all men.” (Romans 12:17–18)

“But the fruit of the Spirit is...peace, patience, kindness...” (Galatians 5:22)

**Have I done my best to get
along with people?**

“but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ” (Ephesians 4:15)

*“But Saul began ravaging the church, entering house after house, and dragging off men and women, he would put them in prison. Therefore, those who had been scattered went about preaching the word.”
(Acts 8:3–4)*

Have I made any opportunities to talk about God and His truth in a loving way?

“A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.” (Proverbs 15:1)

“For lack of wood the fire goes out, and where there is no whisperer, contention quiets down.” (Proverbs 26:20)

“Let your speech always be with grace, as though seasoned with salt, so that you will know how you should respond to each person.” (Colossians 4:6)

Have I used helpful or hurtful words?

“He who steals must steal no longer; but rather he must labor, performing with his own hands what is good, so that he will have something to share with one who has need.” (Ephesians 4:28)

*“If a brother or sister is without clothing and in need of daily food, and one of you says to them, ‘Go in peace, be warmed and be filled,’ and yet you do not give them what is necessary for their body, what use is that?”
(James 2:15–16)*

Have I found opportunities to be generous (or saved money for a future opportunity)?

“But the fruit of the Spirit is...joy...”
(Galatians 5:22)

“...protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you greatly rejoice, even though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been distressed by various trials” (1 Peter 1:5–6)

Have I developed the joy that all Christians should have due to Christ’s love and salvation?

“But the fruit of the Spirit is...goodness...”
(Galatians 5:22)

“And concerning you, my brethren, I myself also am convinced that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge and able also to admonish one another.”
(Romans 15:14)

Have I done what is good and right, even when it's hard or unpopular?

“But the fruit of the Spirit is...faithfulness...”
(Galatians 5:22–23)

“By faith Noah, being warned by God about things not yet seen, in reverence prepared an ark for the salvation of his household...”
(Hebrews 11:7)

Have I demonstrated faith in God’s word?

“But Jesus called them to Himself and said, ‘You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. It is not this way among you, but whoever wishes to become great among you shall be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you shall be your slave; just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.’” (Matthew 20:25–28)

Have I served people with a good attitude?

“Now these were more noble-minded than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these things were so.” (Acts 17:11)

When’s the last time I’ve thought critically and honestly about what I believe?

“I acknowledged my sin to You, and my iniquity I did not hide; I said, ‘I will confess my transgressions to the LORD’; And You forgave the guilt of my sin.” (Psalm 32:5)

“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”

(1 John 1:9)

**Have I confessed any sins
to God or others?**

“He who trusts in his riches will fall, but the righteous will flourish like the green leaf.”

(Proverbs 11:28)

“Instruct those who are rich in this present world not to be conceited or to fix their hope on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly supplies us with all things to enjoy.” (1 Timothy 6:17)

Do I feel secure because of material possessions instead of salvation through Christ?

“In all labor there is profit, but mere talk leads only to poverty.” (Proverbs 14:23)

*“Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men”
(Colossians 3:23)*

**Have I exercised a strong work ethic at my
job, home, school, and church?**

“The acquisition of treasures by a lying tongue is a fleeting vapor, the pursuit of death.” (Proverbs 21:6)

*“For the love of money is a root of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.”
(1 Timothy 6:10)*

**Have I compromised my morals
because of greed?**

“But immorality or any impurity or greed must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints; and there must be no filthiness and silly talk, or coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks.” (Ephesians 5:3–4)

Have I made inappropriate jokes, or laughed when others have?

“How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, nor stand in the path of sinners, nor sit in the seat of scoffers! But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and in His law he meditates day and night.” (Psalm 1:1–2)

Have I been planning how to sin instead of delighting in God’s word?

“You have heard that it was said, ‘YOU SHALL NOT COMMIT ADULTERY’; but I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust for her has already committed adultery with her in his heart.” (Matthew 5:27–28)

“For out of the heart come...adulteries, fornications...” (Matthew 15:19)

Have I let my eyes or mind wander onto someone who is not my spouse?

“You adulteresses, do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.” (James 4:4)

*“For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world. The world is passing away, and also its lusts; but the one who does the will of God lives forever.”
(1 John 2:16–17)*

**Have my mind and habits been centered
on the world more than on God?**

“He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he who rules his spirit, than he who captures a city.” (Proverbs 16:32)

“But the fruit of the Spirit is...gentleness, self-control...” (Galatians 5:22–23)

**Have I exercised and strengthened
my self-control muscle?**

“Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they keep watch over your souls as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you.” (Hebrews 13:17)

Have I been obeying the elders of my local church? Do I bring them joy or grief?

(If I am an elder, have I been fulfilling I Peter 5:2-3?)

“Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or remain absent, I will hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel”
(Philippians 1:27)

If every church member had the same attitude as I do, and put forth the same amount of effort as I do, what kind of church would this be?

“I was glad when they said to me, ‘Let us go to the house of the LORD.’” (Psalm 122:1)

*“Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.”
(Colossians 3:16)*

**Have I worshiped with
gladness and thankfulness?**

“Now He was telling them a parable to show that at all times they ought to pray and not to lose heart...” (Luke 18:1)

“But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him. But he must ask in faith without any doubting, for the one who doubts is like the surf of the sea, driven and tossed by the wind.” (James 1:5–6)

Have I been praying with faith?

“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.” (Psalm 119:105)

“like newborn babies, long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may grow in respect to salvation” (1 Peter 2:2)

**Have I been reading my Bible and
profiting from its message?**