
SPRING WRAP-UP

Week 2: Reflecting on the Journey...



Reflecting on your own spiritual journey is a great discipline. This time allows you to stop, take stock of what's happened, where your life is headed, and consider areas of your life to celebrate and give God thanks, and areas of your life to grow.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Last week you offered some evaluation of spiritual growth in light of your Renovation Group experience. This week, you will get more specific about your growth using an assessment tool. The goal of using this tool is to reveal opportunities for growth.

At Revolution Church we are joining Jesus in the revolution of transforming lives through teaching and serving. We believe that there are key practices that lead us into this vision and help us grow into being spiritually vitalized followers of Jesus Christ. This assessment will measure these five key areas and offer a composite portrait of your spiritual maturity.

Worshipping - this includes Sunday worship attendance, daily Scripture reading and prayer, fasting, receiving Holy Communion.

Learning (Small Group) - this includes being part of a small group and growing in your knowledge and love for God through small group study combined with personal study and prayer.

Inviting - this includes sharing your faith with others, inviting others to church, and revealing the love of God to others around you.

Serving - this includes serving others who are the least, last, and lost by using your gifts, as well as hands and feet.

Giving - this includes financial stewardship by sharing what God has given you with the Church, and the advancement of the Kingdom of God.

Step One: Personal Assessment

As you complete the assessment, reflect on the answer, and then write down your answer. Use the following scale in your responses...

Never - 1 Seldom - 2 Occasionally - 3 Frequent - 4 Always - 5

Worshipping

1. ___ I attend worship 80% (more than 40 Sundays annually) of the time.
2. ___ When making choices I seek Christ's guidance first.
3. ___ My relationship with Jesus is motivated by love, not fear.
4. ___ My actions seek to build God's Kingdom and not my own.
5. ___ I trust Jesus to guide me through problems or crises in my life.
6. ___ Though I don't have to forget, I am able to forgive others when they hurt me.
7. ___ I seek to live in harmony with my family members.
8. ___ I am able to admit my sins to Jesus Christ and others when I am wrong.
9. ___ I offer God my worship on Sunday mornings through song, prayer, reflection, and learning.
10. ___ I am experiencing life change because of my relationship with Jesus Christ.

Learning

1. ___ I spend time reading Scripture and in prayer daily.
2. ___ I can answer questions about life and faith by relating Scripture.
3. ___ I study the Bible for the purpose of discovering God's truth for my life.
4. ___ When the Bible exposes an area of my life needing change, I seek to change.
5. ___ I am part of a Renovation Group and attend regularly.
6. ___ I have an accountability partner or group that helps me grow + be faithful.
7. ___ I read books, articles, and the like to deepen my faith + knowledge of God.
8. ___ I seek feedback from trusted leaders and mentors to help me grow.
9. ___ My public and private life are generally the same.
10. ___ I am aware and informed of what our church believes.

Inviting

1. ___ I can articulate my faith story to others.
2. ___ I have made invitations to others to come to church with me this past year.
3. ___ I have shared my faith with others this past year.
4. ___ God has used me to lead someone else to faith in Jesus Christ.
5. ___ I am able to answer questions about why someone should become a Christian.
6. ___ I am prepared to share my faith with anyone at any time.
7. ___ I regularly pray for people to come to faith in Jesus Christ.
8. ___ I develop and maintain relationship with others who are outside the church.
9. ___ My actions demonstrate I am a follower of Jesus so I don't undermine my invitation efforts.
10. ___ I make sure people I invite receive follow-up and support so they can grow in their faith.

Serving

1. ___ I serve others and expect nothing in return.
2. ___ I have served at five or more church events this year.
3. ___ I am part of a ministry team and attend regularly.
4. ___ I am aware of my spiritual gifts.
5. ___ I am employing my spiritual gifts in the church in the right ministry area.
6. ___ I encourage others to engage in serving.
7. ___ I act as if the needs of others are as important as my own.
8. ___ I look for opportunities to serve each day in my workplace and neighborhood and engage.
9. ___ I am able to lead others in ministry so they can use their gifts to build up the Church.
10. ___ When I serve, I do so with humility and a good attitude.

Giving

1. ___ I give a financial contribution every month to Church.
2. ___ I give a financial contribution that's approximately 1% of my household income to Church.
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5. ___ I give beyond my 10%, and do so by supporting missionaries, or other special efforts.

Step Two: Feedback Assessment

Now total your self-assessment score for each area:

Worship Score: _____

Learning Score: _____

Inviting Score: _____

Serving Score: _____

Giving Score (Multiply Each Score by 2): _____

Step Three: Develop Your Composite Profile

Worship Score:_____

Learning Score:_____

Inviting Score:_____

Serving Score:_____

Giving Score:_____

Composite Scoring Scale:

Seeker: 1-19

You are on the journey of faith! You are seeking God and deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. You are being called into a deeper life of commitment and faith. The good news is that God is beginning something new in you. Keep going, and commit to moving deeper into God's purposes. Consider making a goal for worship attendance, develop a daily study routine, and serve others.

Student: 20-34

You are growing into deeper faith in Jesus Christ. You have some disciplines of study, prayer, worship, inviting, and the like, but there's still room to grow. The good news is that God is deepening your faith. Look at the areas where you scored 2's and 3's. Consider why these areas are low. Is it fear of change? Lack of understanding or lack of discipline?

Servant: 35-44

There are marks of maturity in your faith. You have cultivated spiritual disciplines, and you know Jesus Christ personally. Consider the areas where you scored 3's and 4's. You likely find there are some edges that can be smoothed out, and the next level requires something that's tough: sacrifice. Consider what sacrifices need to be made and how to make them. Then live into these sacrifices through discipline, service, and begin to use your gifts to lead others.

Steward: 45-50

You possess the marks of maturity and are able to lead others toward faith in Jesus Christ. The deeper questions for you concern utilization of your gifts, and leading others. Are you serving in your areas of giftedness? Are you leading others in ministry? How are you leading others to Jesus Christ? You are well on your way, but there's always room to grow. How is God challenging you?

Step Four: Have Others Consider Your Composite Profile

Now that you have developed your composite profile, have 1-2 persons in your Renovation Group, a spouse, friend, or the like take the assessment and rate your spiritual growth and maturity. Be open to their encouragement and critique. Consider their assessment as a gift - their desire is to see you grow.

Person Assessed: _____

Complete this assessment for the above named person. As you do, reflect on the answer, and then write down your answer. Resist the temptation to assess softly - be as open and truthful about your answers as possible. Use the following scale in your responses...

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Step Five: Develop SMART Goals

Now that you have taken the assessment yourself and received feedback from others, what goals can you set? Goals should be Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Realistic, and Timely. Make no more than three goals to work on this summer.

Goal # 1:

Goal # 2:

Goal # 3: