

MEASURES EXPANDED

1. Am I engaging others who are not like me?

- Economically sensitive, Generationally appreciative, Culturally savvy, Globally driven
- *How then will they call on him in whom they have no believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful the feet of those who preach the good news!" But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord who has believed what he has heard from us?" So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.*

2. Am I sharing my story with someone this week?

- Outward-focused—I am noticing people around me who are far from God
When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then, he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few." Matthew 9:36-37

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. Acts 1:8

- Conversation-starter—I am engaging people in spiritual conversations
So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: "Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I also found an altar with this inscription, "To the unknown god." What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. Acts 17:22-23
- Disciple-maker—I am sharing the Gospel in a relational and relevant way
Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. Matthew 28:19-20.

3. Am I taking my next step of spiritual maturity?

- Bible-reader, I regularly engage with God's Word

*I have stored up your word in my heart that I might not sin against you. Psalm 119:11
Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. Psalm 119:105*

- Word-doer—I am growing in my obedience to God
Be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. James 1:22

Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it in the hearing of the people. And they said, "All that the LORD has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient." Exodus 24:7

- Self-denier—I am increasingly turning away from my sinful desires

If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. Luke 9:23

I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified. 1 Corinthians 9:27

- Self-giver—I habitually serve God by serving others
As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace...whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 4:10-11

Whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be your slave, even as the Son of Man came to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. Matthew 20:27-28

- God-seeker—Seeking after God is an increasing priority in my life
Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. Matthew 6:33

For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him. Philipians 3:8-9

- Christ-bearer—I am unashamed of my faith and the life I am called to in Christ
For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes. Romans 1:16

I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that Day what has been entrusted to me. 2 Timothy 1:12

- God-lover—My love for God and others is increasing regularly
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. Matthew 22:37-38

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. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another. John 13:34-35

4. Am I being transformed through community?

- Engaged in community—I meet regularly with a smaller group of other Christians for the purpose of growing spiritually.
Let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. Hebrews 10:24-25
- Established in community—I regularly practice the “one anothers” from Scripture with a smaller group of Christians

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. John 13:34

- Empowering community—I lead a community of Christians that I train to lead others in community.

What you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. 2 Timothy 2:2

Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ. 1 Corinthians 11:1

5. Am I worshipping God daily?

- Personal worship—My worship of God starts sincerely on the inside of my heart and moves out through my actions

The hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. God is spirit and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth. John 4:23-24

- Prayerful worship—My prayers to God are regular, conversational, and intentional

Pray without ceasing. 1 Thessalonians 5:17

Be constant in prayer. Romans 12:12

...praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints. Ephesians 6:18

- Participating worship—My daily worship prepares me for worshipping regularly with my church family

Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD our Maker!

Psalms 95:6

- Plan-changing worship—My life is focusing more around God's agenda than my own

And he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, and knelt down and prayed, "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours be done." Luke 22:41-42

- Pondering worship—My view of God is growing larger and larger

Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 3:18

6. Am I being generous with all that I have?

- Giving myself—I am using the gifts and passions God has given me to strengthen my Calvary church family and broaden God's kingdom.

For as one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy with cheerfulness. Romans 12:5-8

- Giving time—I am investing my time wisely instead of spending my time poorly

We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. John 9:4

- Giving influentially—I am leveraging my influence to move people towards God's mission.
For if you keep silent at this time, relief and deliverance will rise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. And who knows whether you have no come to the kingdom for such a time as this. Esther 4:14
- Giving faithfully—I give financially what I can to Calvary, as I am able because I recognize that everything belongs to God
The earth is the LORD's and fullness thereof. Psalm 24:1
- Giving sacrificially—I am consistently giving ten percent or more of my household income to Calvary to show my gratefulness for God's blessings
Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need. Malachi 2:8