

Our Missional Measures

Missional Measures:

- ...give us a measurable definition of “spiritual success”
- ...define discipleship as transformation instead of head knowledge
- ...help us to teach in systematic rather than random ways
- ...provide personal accountability for spiritual growth
- ...prioritize people over programs

Missional Measures are the picture of what a life-changing relationship with God looks like and is expressed by reflecting on the follow questions:

How am I SEEKING God with all my heart?

You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. Jeremiah 29.13

How am I SERVING unselfishly?

You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. Galatians 5.13

How am I SHARING Christ with others?

Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect. 1 Peter 3.15

How am I being SHEPHERDED and SHEPHERDING another in their faith?

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching. Hebrews 10.24-25

One way that a person can assessment their spiritual journey is by rating themselves in the following statements. These can be reformatted for use as an annual reflection and review.

Curious *“I am exploring what it means to have faith.”*

- All of my relationships are about family, socializing, work, hobbies or mutual interests.
- I am intrigued by nature and the created order.
- I have a sense that things happen for a reason, but I am not sure what that reason is.
- One of my goals in life is to be happy and fulfilled.

Crippled *“I have been wounded and hurt by religion and religious people.”*

- I have been criticized and judged unfairly by religious people.
- My nonreligious friends are more authentic and genuine than the Christians I know.

- I believe in God and Jesus but the church is mostly irrelevant to my life.
- I pray sometimes and have read parts of the Bible.

Consumer *“I go to church because it makes me a better person.”*

- I participate regularly in corporate worship because it makes my week go better.
- I pray often and routinely read a devotion as a way to lay down burdens and lift my spirits.
- I enjoy Bible studies because I learn so much about life and faith.
- I often invite people to my church because I want them to get what I am getting.

Complacent *“My faith is strong but it isn’t as exciting as it once was.”*

- I attend corporate worship almost every week but it doesn’t really affect my life Monday through Saturday.
- I participate in a Sunday School class or small group whose main focus is learning more about the Bible and faith.
- I know God is with me, but it feels like my prayers aren’t being heard.
- I sometimes share my faith but I only after someone else brings up the topic.

Connected *“I am being disciplined and growing in my faith.”*

- I experience the presence of God in worship, both corporately and privately.
- I realize more about God and myself through study of the scriptures.
- I am serving others and inviting them to know Christ.
- I have Christian friends who are there for me and I am there for them in the ups and downs of life.

Committed *“I am being disciplined and discipling others.”*

- I want my whole life to be an act of worship.
- I feel the presence of God and praise Him in the good times and the bad times.
- I have or am developing a hunger for the scripture. It is vibrant and alive when I study the Bible.
- I am invested in Christ-centered community for mutual support and accountability.
- I live missionally, looking for how God is calling me to join Him in the everyday things of life.