What is the Self-Assessment?

It's a chart

- growth stages across the top
- important spiritual practices along the side
- descriptions at the intersections

Discipleship Pathway Self-Assessment Note: These are not rigid categories but general ideas of where you are currently in relationship with Jesus. Use them to identify what your next steps can be. Exploring Getting Started Going Deeper Centering

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	Relating to God	Acquaintances	Friends	Good Friends	Intimate Friends
Deeply Rooted	Prayer and Meditation	Sometimes I pray (ex: at the beginning or end of the day, or at meals).	I pray for the needs of others in my life, community and around the world. I reflect on my day, and confess struggles to God.	I set aside intentional time each day to pray and learn new methods of prayer. I have a prayer partner/group to encourage to me.	I continue to increase my prayer life by learning practicing contemplative prayer and fasting. I spend time in silence and solitude each day. I lead others in prayer.
	Scripture Reflection	I occasionally read the Bible for knowledge and understanding.	I read the Bible for knowledge and understanding, and also listen to how God speaks to me through Scripture.	I spend time each day reading and reflecting on Scripture to listen for God speaking to me. I study scripture with others.	I am exploring new ways to read and study the Bible. I read Scripture and write personal reflections as I listen to God.
Branching Out	Corporate Worship	I attend worship when a friend invites me, it is convenient, or I feel a need.	I attend worship once or twice a month and realize that God is present with me every day.	I participate in worship regularly and set aside time to connect with God daily.	I live my life increasingly aware of God's presence and seek to please God in all I do. I lead worship.
	Small Group Community	I am loosely connected to or interested in a class or other group.	I regularly attend a GIG or other small group.	I am involved and interconnected with my group. The group is an important part of my spiritual practice.	I lead my group by being present with them mentally and spiritually. I am learning to be honest with this trusted group.
Bearing Fruit	Gift-based Service	I occasionally volunteer or would like to learn more about volunteer opportunities.	I have taken a spiritual gifts survey to identify my gifts. I regularly help do God's work.	I am using my spiritual gifts to make God's love real in the world.	I am actively pursuing ways to sharpen my gifts (practice, studies, classes, etc.) even if it takes me outside my comfort zone.
	Financial Generosity	I thank God for providing for my needs. I occasionally give a monetary offering and consider it a response to God's love and provision in my life.	I budget money to give to God's work. When I hear about critical needs, I give.	I've committed to move toward a tithe (10% of income). I have studied finances from a spiritual perspective and consider how I spend my income because all I have belongs to God.	I give 10% of all income to God's work and respond with more when prompted to do so. I consider how all assets can be used by God. I've provided for a portion of my estate to go to God's work. I'm beginning to live a life defined by generosity as I'm led by God.
	Invitational Evangelism	I admire others who can talk about their faith and am exploring questions in my own faith.	I am finding and making friends and am willing to accept others as they are. I invite others to church.	I am actively trying to relate more to people outside of the church in ways that reflect God's love and acceptance of them. I share my faith.	I intentionally seek to built relationships with people in order to share God's love. I mentor others on their faith journey.

Important Parts

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Spiritual Practices

Prayer/Meditation Scripture Reflection **Corporate Worship Small Group Community** Gift-based Service **Financial Generosity** Invitational Evangelism

Vision Statement

Deeply Rooted (God) **Branching Out** (Others) **Bearing Fruit** (World)

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Relating to God Relationship Stage

Exploring Getting Started Going Deeper Centering

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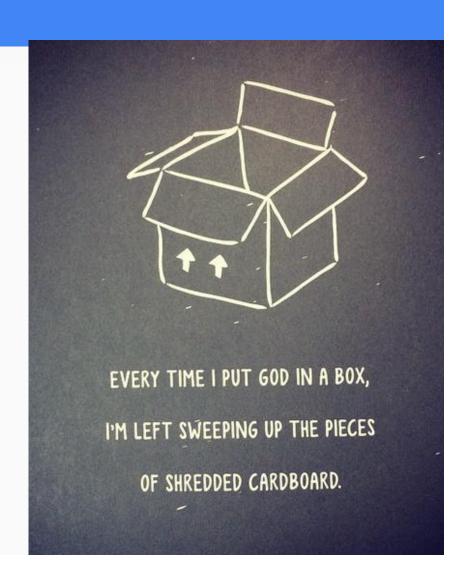
What is the Self-Assessment NOT?

It's not a box for God to fit into

It's not all-inclusive

It's not linear

It's not a measurement of one's value



Why are we using the Self-Assessment?

It's our mission: To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world



It's easy to understand

It encourages ACTION!

How do we use the Self-Assessment?

- 1. Pray
- 2. Identify where you are
- 3. Choose a place to start
- 4. Get support
- 5. Repeat

It is a lifelong journey!

