

Please answer these questions as honestly as possible. Use the scoring method as indicated.

PART A: General Formation and Discipleship

1. I feel confident of my adoption as God's son/daughter and rarely, if ever, question his acceptance of me.
2. I love to worship God by myself as well as with others.
3. I spend regular quality time in the Word of God and in prayer.
4. I sense the unique ways God has gifted me individually and am actively using my spiritual gifts for his service.
5. I am a vital participant in a community with other believers.
6. It is clear that my money, gifts, time, and abilities are completely at God's disposal and not my own.
7. I consistently integrate my faith in the marketplace and the world.

PART B: Emotional Components of Discipleship

Principle 1: Look beneath the Surface

1. It's easy for me to identify what I am feeling inside (Luke 19:41 - 44; John 11:33 -35).
2. I am willing to explore previously unknown or unacceptable parts of myself, allowing Christ to transform me more fully (Rom. 7:21 -25; Col. 3:5 -17).
3. I enjoy being alone in quiet reflection with God and myself (Mark 1:35; Luke 6:12).
4. I can share freely about my emotions, sexuality, joy, and pain (Ps. 22; Prov. 5:18-19; Luke 10:21).
5. I am able to experience and deal with anger in a way that leads to growth in others and myself (Eph. 4:25 -32).
6. I am honest with myself (and a few significant others) about the feelings, beliefs, doubts, pains, and hurts beneath the surface of my life (Ps. 73; 88; Jer. 20:7-18).
7. I resolve conflict in a clear, direct, and respectful way, not what I might have learned growing up in my family, such as painful putdowns, avoidance, escalating tensions, or going to a third party rather than to the person directly (Matt. 18:15-18).
8. I am intentional at working through the impact of significant "earthquake" events that shaped my present, such as the death of a family member, an unexpected pregnancy, divorce, addiction, or major financial disaster (Gen. 50:20; Ps. 51).
9. I am able to thank God for all my past life experiences, seeing how he has used them to uniquely shape me into who I am (Gen. 50:20; Rom. 8:28-30).
10. I can see how certain "generational sins" have been passed down to me through my family history, including character flaws, lies, secrets, ways of coping with pain, and unhealthy tendencies in relating to others (Ex. 20:5; cf. Gen. 20:2; 26:7; 27:19; 37:1-33).

11. I don't need approval from others to feel good about myself (Prov. 29:25; Gal. 1:10).

12. I take responsibility and ownership for my past life rather than blame others (John 5:5-7).

Principle 3: Live in Brokenness and Vulnerability

13. I often admit when I'm wrong, readily asking forgiveness from others (Matt. 5:23 -24).

14. I am able to speak freely about my weaknesses, failures, and mistakes (2 Cor. 12:7-12).

15. Others would easily describe me as approachable, gentle, open, and transparent (Gal. 5:22 -23; 1 Cor. 13:1-6).

16. Those close to me would say that I am not easily offended or hurt (Matt. 5:39-42, 1 Cor. 13:5).

17. I am consistently open to hearing and applying constructive criticism and feedback that others might have for me (Prov. 10:17; 17:10; 25:12).

18. I am rarely judgmental or critical of others (Matt. 7:1-5).

19. Others would say that I am slow to speak, quick to listen, and good at seeing things from their perspective (James 1:19-20). 1

Principle 4: Receive the Gift of Limits

20. I've never been accused of "trying to do it all" or of biting off more than I could chew (Matt. 4:1 -11).

21. I am regularly able to say "no" to requests and opportunities rather than risk overextending myself (Mark 6:30-32).

22. I recognize the different situations where my unique, God-given personality can be either a help or hindrance in responding appropriately (Ps. 139; Rom. 12:3; 1 Peter 4:10).

23. It's easy for me to distinguish the difference between when to help carry someone else's burden (Gal 6:2) and when to let it go so they can carry their own burden (Gal. 6:5).

24. I have a good sense of my emotional, relational, physical, and spiritual capacities, intentionally pulling back to rest and fill my "gas tank" again (Mark 1:21-39).

25. Those close to me would say that I am good at balancing family, rest, work, and play in a biblical way (Ex. 20:8).

Principle 5: Embrace Grieving and Loss

26. I openly admit my losses and disappointments (Ps. 3; 5).

27. When I go through a disappointment or a loss, I reflect on how I'm feeling rather than pretend that nothing is wrong (2 Sam. 1:4, 17-27; Ps. 51:1-17).

28. I take time to grieve my losses as David (Ps. 69) and Jesus did (Matt. 26:39; John 11:35; 12:27).

29. People who are in great pain and sorrow tend to seek me out because it's clear to them that I am in touch with the losses and sorrows in my own life (2 Cor 1:3-7).

30. I am able to cry and experience depression or sadness, explore the reasons behind it, and allow God to work in me through it (Ps. 42; Matt. 26:36-46).

Principle 6: Make Incarnation Your Model for Loving Well

31. I am regularly able to enter into other people's world and feelings, connecting deeply with them and taking time to imagine what it feels like to live in their shoes (John 1:1 -14; 2 Cor. 8:9; Phil. 2:3-5).

32. Those people close to me would describe me as a responsive listener (Prov. 10:19; 29:11; James 1:19).

33. When I confront someone who has hurt or wronged me, I speak more in the first person ("I" and "me") about how I am feeling rather than speak in blaming tones ("you" or "they") about what was done (Prov. 25:11; Eph. 4:29-32).

34. I have little interest in judging other people or quickly giving opinions about them (Matt. 7:1 -5).

35. People would describe me as someone who makes "loving well" my number one aim (John 13:34-35; 1 Cor. 13).

Principle 7: Slow Down to Lead with Integrity

36. I spend sufficient time alone with God to sustain my work for God.

37. I regularly take a 24-hour period each week for Sabbath-keeping –to stop, to rest, to delight, and to contemplate God.

38. Those closest to me would say that my marriage and children take priority over church ministry and others.

39. I am not afraid to ask difficult, uncomfortable questions, to myself or to others, when needed.

40. I do not divide my leadership into sacred/secular categories. I treat the executive/planning functions of leadership as meaningful as prayer and preparing sermons.

TOTAL

Inventory Results

For each group of questions on pages 61 -64:

- Add your answers to get the total for that group. Write your totals on the top portion of page 66, as the sample on the next page illustrates.
- Next, plot your answers and connect the dots to create a graph on the middle portion of page 66, again following the sample on page 65.
- Finally, see pages 66-67 for interpretations of your level of emotional health in each area. What patterns do you discern?

SAMPLE

Part A Questions Total

General Formation and Discipleship 1 - 7 24/28

Part B

Principle 1 - Look beneath the Surface 1 - 6 20/24

Principle 2 - Break the Power of the Past 7 - 12 11 /24

Principle 3 - Live in Brokenness and Vulnerability 13 - 19 12 /28

Principle 4 - Receive the Gift of Limits 20 - 25 14 /24

Principle 5 - Embrace Grieving and Loss 26 - 30 16 /20

Principle 6 - Make Incarnation Your Model for Loving Well 31 - 35 14 /20

Principle 7 - Slow Down to Lead with Integrity 36 - 40 15 /20