

Reflections on Faith

Faith Talk Date: _____

Please review these Scriptures during your times with God, and take some time out to reflect and write out your thoughts as we approach a new year. In our faith groups we will discuss your thoughts and any other things you would like to share after you complete this journal.

1 Peter 1:6-7: The purpose of this time of reflection is to focus on your faith. Faith is one of the most important qualities that God values.

1 Peter 1:8-9: The goal is for each of us to experience the incredible joy of a fulfilling faith.

In the next month, we would like for you to meet with your faith partners and mentors to get feedback on how we as a fellowship can help you experience a growing faith. This can also be a time when your questions can be answered and when you can get a deeper sense of where we have been going as a ministry.

Ephesians 4: 1-16

Spiritual Calling – Spiritual Devotion: Eph 4:1-6

We are called personally by God to live worthy lives. This worthiness is both spiritual and relational. God calls us to be humble, gentle, patient and loving with each other. He also wants us to have spiritual unity of faith. We also need to have one faith and one true doctrine regarding the Spirit, Lordship, baptism and the church in order to impact the world.

Questions for Thought

- How satisfying is your personal relationship with God? Explain. _____

- How fulfilling are your relationship within the Church? With your Faith Group?
With other members? _____

How is your faith and spiritual life, directly or through your personal example blessing, touching, or producing fruit in others? What goals do you have to grow in these areas? In what ways can you be encouraged, helped, or assisted in these areas? Explain.

Grace for Salvation - Grace for Service: Eph 4:7-12

God gives each of us his grace. One form of his grace is expressed through the gifts that we have to use in building up the body.

Questions for Thought

- Are you secure in your salvation?

- Explain in simple terms the plan of salvation: _____

- Are there regular discipling, and times of openness in your life? _____

- What do you consider your gifts to be? _____

- How are these being used in your personal life, and within the Church to build up the family of God? _____

Grace of Giving 2 Corinthians 8:7; 9:6-15 What is your conviction about giving sacrificially? Tithing? Giving Consistently? How does this reflect your faith?

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Faithful Life – Faithful Living: Eph 4:17-24

Our lives should be unique in a way that is outstanding in comparison to the world.

Questions for Thought

- How has your faith enhanced your personal life, health, marriage, family life, career, finances, relationships, and dreams for your future?

- How secure and confident do you feel about your personal life, health, marriage, family life, career, finances, relationships, and dreams for your future? Explain.

- What are the significant events, circumstances and hardships that have come up in your life that are testing, hindering or distracting your faith?

Motivation - Maturity: Eph 4:13-16

The role of the body is to bring us to maturity and growth, as each part does its work.

Questions for Thought

- Are you feeling inspired in your faith in Christ? Are you Encouraged in you life and Christianity within the Church? Explain. _____

- Do you see yourself making progress in your faith? Are you growing your faith? Is it exciting or flat? What can we do to help? _____

- Do you believe God can use your life to help someone else get saved?

- Are you attending the meetings of the body regularly? Hebrews 10:24 Punctually? If not, what can you do to honor God with your presence in worship? _____

- In the next month we want to encourage you to make a plan of prayer and action to grow your faith in any of the areas that have been discovered during this Faith Reflection. God's Spirit and your Faith Group are here to help you grow. 2 Peter 1:5-11