



Evaluation: Character

We have created a brief assessment for each spoke on The Summit Church's "Gospel Wheel" for discipleship (Bible study and prayer, evangelism and missions, community, generosity, character). We want to help you get a snapshot of how you're doing and identify wise focal points for growth in each of these key areas. The other evaluations can be found in a self-scoring, on-line or printable PDF version at bradhambrick.com/gospelwheel.

Instructions: Read the following descriptive statements. Mark the answer that best describes you.

(CD) Completely Disagree, (SD) Somewhat Disagree, (NS) Not Sure, (SA) Somewhat Agree, or (CA) Completely Agree

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| 1. I recognize character is a change of my actions resulting from a change of my heart. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 2. Character change is a response to God's acceptance in the Gospel not to earn acceptance. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 3. I believe, "I will become like what I worship" (Psalm 135:15-18). | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 4. My true character is who I am when nobody is looking. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 5. I will only become Christ-like as I allow others to see me for who I really am. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 6. When I see areas of sin in my life I respond to them like a cancer-level threat (Rom 8:13). | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 7. I strive to "take every thought captive" that disagrees with Scripture (2 Cor 10:5). | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 8. I "hunger and thirst for righteousness" and it shows (Matt 5:6). | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 9. I see myself as God's dearly loved child and imitate my loving Father (Eph 5:1). | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 10. I am God's property and have surrendered the right to say "Yes" to sin (1 Cor. 6:19-20). | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 11. I resist the temptation to aggressively distort love by hate, obsession, or lust. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 12. I resist the temptation to aggressively distort joy through excess or unrealistic expectations. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 13. I resist the temptation to aggressively distort peace by being critical or argumentative. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 14. I resist the temptation to aggressively distort patience by condemning weakness. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 15. I resist the temptation to aggressively distort kindness by being mean or self-centered. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 16. I resist the temptation to aggressively distort goodness by being legalistic. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 17. I resist the temptation to aggressively distort faithfulness by lying to others or doubting God. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 18. I resist the temptation to aggressively distort gentleness by demand or brutal honesty. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 19. I resist the temptation to aggressively distort self-control by compulsiveness or rigidity. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 20. I resist the temptations that come from over-reacting to situations. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 21. I resist the temptation to passively distort love by neglect, indifference, or apathy. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 22. I resist the temptation to passively distort joy by pessimism or unresponsiveness. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 23. I resist the temptation to passively distort peace by living in denial about real wrongs. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 24. I resist the temptation to passively distort patience by compromising truth or justice. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 25. I resist the temptation to passively distort kindness by being easily manipulated. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 26. I resist the temptation to passively distort goodness by failing to make a moral impact. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 27. I resist the temptation to passively distort faithfulness by being unreliable. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 28. I resist the temptation to passively distort gentleness by giving false hope. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 29. I resist the temptation to passively distort self-control by being indulgent or lacking discipline. | CD SD NS SA CA |
| 30. I resist the temptations that come from under-reacting to situations. | CD SD NS SA CA |



Key to Survey Scoring: For each set of questions tabulate your score using the following numerical values. The scoring is weighted with the “neutral” NS answer being a negative score, because if you are uncertain on one of these matters then you are not receiving the benefit God wants to provide for you.

CD – Negative 3 points

SD – Negative 2 points

NS – Negative 1 point

SA – Positive 1 points

CA – Positive 2 points

If your total score...

...**matches or exceeds the total number of questions**, then this is an area of strength.

...**is less than the total number of questions**, then this area could use attention or refinement.

...**is a negative number**, then this area should be given immediate and concentrated attention.

➤ Questions 1-5: (Total: _____ in 5 questions)

This set of questions examines “**beliefs that under-gird gospel character change.**” Thinking wrongly about how to develop a godly character will cause sincere effort to produce pride or insecurity instead of Christ-likeness. The result is that we begin to feel like God asks “too much of us” because we are not relying upon what He has “already done for us.”

➤ Questions 6-10: (Total: _____ in 5 questions)

This set of questions examines “**practices that support gospel character change.**” We change like children mature in a healthy home – imitating our Father. This change is comprised of three actions: putting off sinful patterns of living, renewing our mind in Scripture, and putting on the new life Christ purchased for us on the cross (Eph 4:20-24).

➤ Questions 11-20: (Total: _____ in 5 questions)

This set of questions examines “**the avoidance of aggressive character flaws.**” The fruit of the Spirit (Gal 5:22-23) provide the clearest description of a godly character found in Scripture. Each of these attributes can be aggressively distorted or taken to excess. When we do this we usually feel very justified in our sin.

➤ Questions 21-30: (Total: _____ in 5 questions)

This set of questions examines “**the avoidance of passive character flaws.**” The fruit of the Spirit (Gal 5:22-23) provide the clearest description of a godly character found in Scripture. Each of these attributes can be passively distorted or neglected. When we do this we usually feel hopeless about our ability to do what is expected.