



BECOME

Mature • Christlike • Biblically Literate • Missional • Uniquely Called • Community



MATURITY

1

Ephesian 4:11-16

So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

“ I am a lifelong learner, who regularly practices spiritual disciplines through which I enjoy and experience an ever-deepening relationship with Jesus. My life is marked by a routine or rhythm of spiritual disciplines, listening to the Holy Spirit. ”

How accurate is this for me?

How might God be prompting me to grow in this area?

CHRISTLIKE

2

Galatians 5:22-23

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

“Through the presence and working of the Holy Spirit, my heart is being transformed to reflect the character and way of Jesus in my thoughts, words, and deeds. I seek to view all of life through the eyes of Jesus with a desire to live first and foremost in all things to the Glory of the Father.”

What evidence would the people I interact with give to show that this is true in my life?

What might the people closest to me say I could improve in?

2 Timothy 3:16

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness...

“ *I have a grasp of the biblical stories and the great themes of Scripture. My life shows evidence of my desire to seek, trust in and be surrendered by God’s voice and leading. I have a knowledge of God’s story both in verses and in the big-picture story of the Bible. I regularly apply what God has revealed to me through scripture to my life.* ”

What evidence can I give that would show how scripture is transforming me?

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Matthew 28: 19-20

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Philippians 2:12-13

... my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.

“ *I partner with Christ in the work that he began, seeking to reconcile and restore what was lost in creation through works of love and justice and the bringing of others into a growing daily relationship with Jesus. I know that the church is not where I go, or something I do - but WHO I AM?* ”

What evidence would the people I interact with give to show that this is true in my life?

What would it look like for me to be more engaged in God's missional work?

1 Corinthians 12:4-11

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines.

“*I understand that I and others are uniquely created by God and that everyone has a purpose and place in God’s project of redemption in the world. My life is marked by hospitality and service within the church and beyond.*”

How has God uniquely gifted me?

Where am I using these gifts to serve and uplift others?

Acts 2:42-44

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common.

“*I am committed to and understand my place in God's family. I am engaged in relationships with others through worship and service. I am in a small group that allows me to engage more deeply with God's work in my life. I have a few people in my life that develop me intentionally, and I have a few people whom I pour into.*”

How accurate is this for me?

How might God be prompting me to grow in this area?

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Please refer to the Small Group Reflection Exercise questions at the end of this booklet.

REFLECTION

Having reflected on the competencies of a fully devoted follower, take a few minutes to think about when you feel closest to God. Then, prayerfully consider what God might be calling you to in the upcoming year:

- If you could experience a spiritual growth spurt, in which area of your life would you desire it? (for example: community, prayer, listening to God, sharing my faith)





SMALL GROUP REFLECTION EXERCISE

Spend some time reflecting on these questions and share your answers together during your next small group meeting:

- What do you do together to deepen your spiritual life?

- How does this group help you on your journey of transformation?



- How could your group experience deeper authenticity?

- Where does your group serve, give of themselves?

- What is God telling you is your group's next best step together?



SPIRITUAL

- How can I ready myself to receive from God in this area?
- How can I make myself available to what God has for me?

EXPERIENTIAL

- What does it look like in my daily life in order to make this more 'real' in my life?
- What specific times, situations or interactions do I KNOW will be opportunities for me to practice?

*If I am going to grow in this area, what do I need from Glenkirk?
After going through this exercise what questions or comments do I have for the spiritual development team? Please email us at become@glenkirkchurch.org with your answers to these questions.*

RELATIONAL

- Who is going to help me?
- Who is going to journey with me?
- Who can hold me accountable as I work on this goal?

INSTRUCTIONAL

- Where will I get instruction in this goal?
- What resources might be available to me to learn from?





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