

Check Yourself

How to check yourself

- Self-reflection
- Simple guidelines
- Personal accountability and responsibility
- Character development
- Prayer in action
- Are you doing your best?

Self-Reflection

Scout Vespers

Softly falls the light of day, as our campfire fades away.

Silently each Scout should ask, “Have I done my daily task?”

“Have I kept my honor bright? Can I guiltless sleep tonight?”

“Have I done and have I dared everything to be prepared?”

Self-reflection

- When was the last time you thought about your faith walk?
- Do you have standards for yourself?
- What are those standards?
- Are you honest with yourself?
- Laying in bed, meditating on Your Word

Simple guidelines

Scout Oath

On my honor, I will do my best,

to do my duty to God and my country,

And to obey the Scout Law,

To help other people at all times,

To keep myself, physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

Scout Law

A scout is trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent.

Scout Slogan

Do a good turn daily

Scout Motto

Be prepared

Biblical guidelines

- What are your favorite verses?
- What small simple scripture can you keep close to your heart?
- Lists of 5-10
- Golden rule, Great Commandment, Ten Commandments

Personal Accountability and Responsibility

Biblical Examples

- Each will have to give account (talents, sheep and goats, ten virgins and lamp oil)
- “Who do you think you are?”
 - Pride
 - Hypocrosy
 - Moral police (speck of sawdust)
- Correction in the church
 - The discipline that Paul talks about is:
 - Within the church
 - For the benefit of the one in error
 - Not for moral superiority

Character Development

Jesus is most concerned about your
character development!

Character Development

- Fruit of the spirit
- Run the race
- Put on the whole armor of God
- Iron sharpens iron

Periods of Exile and Oppression

- Joseph into slavery
- Moses in the desert
- Babylon
- Persia
- Greek
- Roman
- When it seems like God is nowhere to be found what are you doing?
- How can you be preparing and growing in this time?

Prayer in Action

Prayer life

- What's on your heart/what are you praying about currently?
- Prayer in action (James 1:19-27)
- What can you do (action) about your prayers?
- Paul talks about transforming our minds
- Our belief plays out in our actions

Active faith

- Be fruitful where you are (parable of the talents)
- Do what you can
- Do what you are called to do
- Name one of your talents
- Name one of your passions
- Name a simple problem you can fix or do something about
- Don't have analysis paralysis

Post-Covid

- Renaissance
- What will the church be?
- Are we going to lead into the future or be left behind?
- What does this look like for us as a whole body of believers?
- What does this look like for Homestead Park?
- Will they know us by our love?

Doing your best

- Love (1 John 4:7-21)
- Set specific goals/tasks (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)
 - Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.
- You WILL fail
- Jesus gives us countless second chances

Gospel Truth