

Moving Forward

1. Where are you now on your journey with Jesus?
2. Where would you like to be in your journey with Jesus in six months to a year?
3. What is standing between you and that point?
 - My past
 - Lack of Biblical knowledge
 - I'm satisfied
 - Something else ...
4. What will it take for you to move beyond those barriers?
 - A step of faith
 - Experiencing God's forgiveness
 - A crisis
 - More understanding
 - Someone helping me
 - Something else ...
5. How does the Bible describe the differences between Exploring, Embracing and Embodying?
 - See *1 John 5:12, John 3:36*
6. Review questions 1-5 with a Spiritual Leader and develop a plan for the next steps of your spiritual journey.

A Faith Commitment

1. Realize that you are not God and that you are powerless to achieve God's favor or earn His forgiveness. Romans 3:23
2. Believe that Jesus Christ is God, that He died on the cross for your sins and that He is risen from the dead. John 10:30; 14:6
3. Pray and turn your life and will over to the care and control of the Lord Jesus Christ and allow Him to work in and through you. John 1:12

*"Dear God,
I believe and accept that the Lord Jesus Christ is my only Savior and the risen Lord. I admit that I am a sinner and ask You to forgive my sin based on the death of Jesus for me on the cross. I want You to come into my life at this moment. As best as I know how, I turn my life over to Your care and control. Amen."*

4. This is the beginning of a loving relationship with God through His Son Jesus Christ. Mark 12:28-31

EXPLORE

EMBRACE

EMBODY



Not interested

- Aware but not very interested.
- Ok for you, but it's not for me.
- Many misconceptions of Christianity.
- Negative view of Christianity and religion.
- Believes all religions are the same.
- Has an indifferent attitude toward spiritual issues.

Curiously Seeking

- Realizes there is more to life than what is seen.
- Attends Christian events out of curiosity.
- Struggles with negative image of Christianity.
- Questions the belief that all religions lead to the same God.

Searching Assertively

- Takes steps to find needed answers.
- Intellectually believes in God.
- Begins to grasp the implications of Christ's claims.
- Understands the difference between Christianity and religion.
- Struggles with understanding parts of Christianity.

Faith Commitment

- Realizes they can't earn relationship with God.
- Admits their sin and need for Christ's forgiveness and grace.
- Believes that Jesus is God and receives Him as their risen Lord and only Savior.
- Makes a decision to turn their lives and wills over to the care and control of Jesus

Experiencing New life

- Be baptized as a believer
- Begins mentoring with another follower.
- Grasps the meaning of the gospel and the core elements of following Jesus.
- Shares what Jesus has done in them.
- Gives.
- Struggles with changing value system and assurance of salvation.

Growing in Community

- Grows in intimacy with God through prayer and Bible study.
- Has been filled with the Spirit.
- Has a deepening relationship with other followers in a local church.
- Has come under the authority of Biblical values.
- Experiences increasing freedom over self defeating habits.

Living Missionally

- In all of life, Christ is central.
- Walking in ongoing Spirit filled living for holy living and effective service.
- Craves intimacy with God through spiritual disciplines.
- Using their spiritual gifts.
- After studying shares their faith more.
- Gives sacrificially.
- Mentors others spiritually.

Resisting

Questioning

Responding

Accepting

Adjusting

Stabilizing

Reproducing