



## Metrics

### Measurements that Matter

### Character Like Jesus

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**We measure all sorts of things...because measurements matter!**

**Why should we measure our growth in Jesus-like character?**

- Because God cares about who we are becoming (sanctification)
- Because what we believe and how we live must match up
- Because the deepest longing in the heart of a Christian is to be more like Jesus!

**What do we measure for spiritual growth?**

Galatians 5:22-23

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**We can ask good and honest questions**

- Do I love God and people more today than I did six months ago?
- Am I experiencing real and lasting joy as I walk with Jesus?
- What are signs that my peace and trust in Jesus is increasing with time?
- Am I more patient and longsuffering than I was a year ago?
- Do people see me as peaceful even in the middle of tough times?

**Where and When: Seeing spiritual maturity in real life and real time.**

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- In my **friendships**
- In my **home**
- In the **workplace** or at **school**
- At **church**

**How: What steps will I take to grow my character to look more and more like Jesus?**

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**I will commit this passage to memory!**

**I will celebrate where I see growth in the fruit of the Spirit.**

**I will ask people I respect how I am doing in growing and exhibiting the fruit of the Spirit.**

**I will set personal goals to accelerate my growth in the areas I see I am the weakest.**

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