

# TAKE OUT A BLANK SHEET OF PAPER

Comfortable Living—  
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## A SPIRITUAL SELF-EXAMINATION: FOUR TEST QUESTIONS

### I. THE A \_\_\_\_\_ TEST:

Am I solid in the f \_\_\_\_\_?

- v 5 Test yourselves to make sure you are solid in the faith. Don't drift along taking everything for granted. Give yourselves regular checkups. (The Message) also: Matthew 7:22,23 1 John 5:13

THE faith is not a religion of doing things for God. THE faith is a personal relationship...knowing Jesus and being known by Jesus.

### II. THE F \_\_\_\_\_ TEST:

Does my c \_\_\_\_\_ reveal that Jesus lives in me?

- v 5 You need firsthand evidence, not mere hearsay that Jesus Christ is in you. (The Message)

### 2 SOURCES OF EVIDENCE CHRIST IS IN YOU:

#### I \_\_\_\_\_ WITNESS

Romans 8:16 The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children.

#### E \_\_\_\_\_ WITNESS

Galatians 5:22 ...love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.

### III. THE B \_\_\_\_\_ TEST: Am I living under the a \_\_\_\_\_ of God's Word?

- v 8 For we cannot do anything against the truth, but only for the truth (NIV)
- John 17:17 Your Word is truth
- 1 Peter 2:2 Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation.

### A BIBLE SELF-DIAGNOSIS

#### Three simple questions

- Do I believe God's Word is t \_\_\_\_\_ and the final authority on deciding what is right and wrong?
- How well do I k \_\_\_\_\_ God's Word?
- Do I read God's Word more than any other b \_\_\_\_\_?

### IV. THE L \_\_\_\_\_ TEST:

Am I e \_\_\_\_\_ love toward others?

- v 9 We don't just put up with our limitations; we celebrate them and then go on to celebrate every strength, every triumph of truth in you. We pray hard that it will all come together in our lives.
- John 13:35

The difference between heaven and hell is the difference between selfishness and love. ~C.S Lewis

