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Identification Markers for Seekers to Connect with

Clear Presentation of the Gospel

Casting a Vision for how a Christ Follower lives

SEARCHERS

FOLLOWERS



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.

Resisting



Curiously Seeking

- Realizes there is more to life than what is seen.
- Attends Christian events out of curiosity, not because of need.
- Struggles with negative image of Christianity.
- Questions the belief that all religions lead to the same God.

Questioning



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 intellectualizing Christianity.

Responding



Faith Commitment

- Realizes that they are powerless to achieve God's forgiveness.
- Believes that Jesus is God and has received Him as the risen Lord and only Savior.
- Has made a decision to turn their lives and wills over to the care and control of Jesus.

Embracing



Experiencing New Life

- Has entered into a mentoring relationship with another follower.
- Grasps the meaning of the gospel and the core elements of following Jesus.
- Shares Christ naturally.
- Struggles with changing value system and assurance of salvation.

Adjusting



Is Growing in Community

- Grows in intimacy with God through prayer and Bible study.
- Has a deepening relationship with other followers in a local church.
- Has come under the authority of Biblical values.
- Experiences freedom over self-defeating habits.
- Discovers not all Christians are growing.

Stabilizing



Living Missionally

- Craves intimacy with God through spiritual disciplines.
- Shares their faith effectively.
- Mentors others spiritually.
- Gives generously.
- Serves their community.
- Understands the centrality of the gospel in their lives.

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Diagnostic Questions to help people move forward

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Moving Forward

1. Where are you now on your Spiritual Journey?

2. Where would you like to be on your Spiritual Journey in six months to a year?

3. What is standing between you and that point? (Check the spaces that relate to you in order of importance.)

- My past
 Lack of Biblical knowledge
 I'm satisfied
Something else: _____
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4. What will it take for you to move beyond those barriers? (Check the spaces that relate to you.)

- A step of faith
 Experiencing God's forgiveness
 A crisis
 More understanding
 Someone helping me
Something else: _____
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5. How does the Bible describe the difference between searchers and followers?

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)

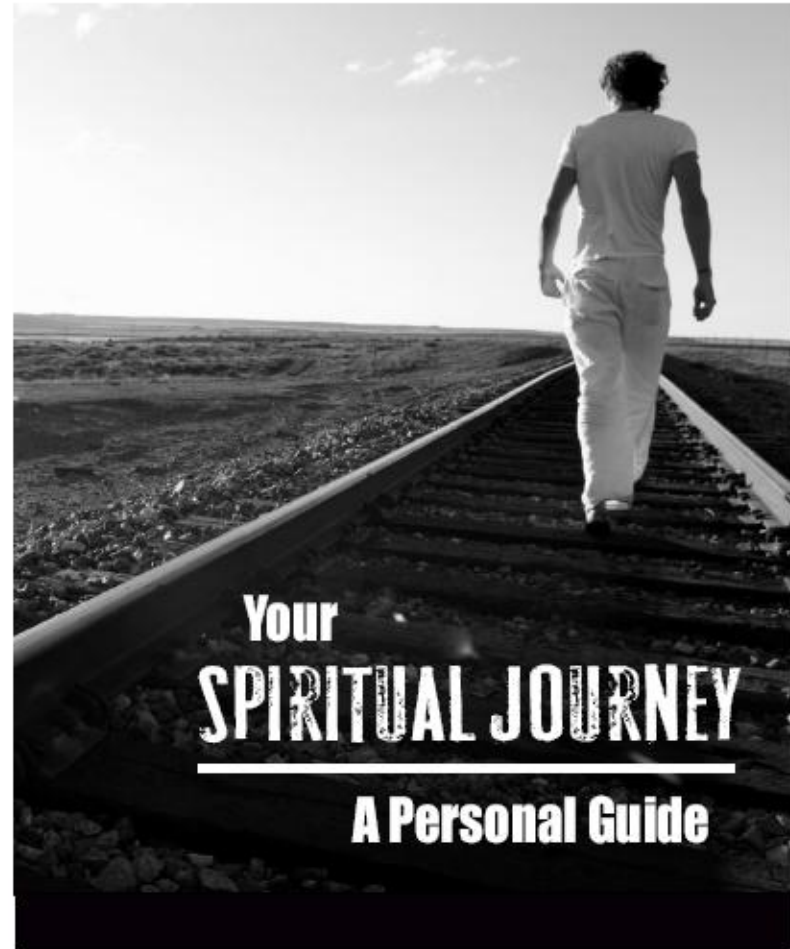
3. In a prayerful moment, turn your life and will over to the care and control of the Lord Jesus Christ and allow Him to work in and through you. (John 1:12)

*Dear Lord Jesus,
I believe that you are the only Savior and the risen Lord. Thank you for dying on the cross for my sins. 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 12:29-31)

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