

CFC ANNUAL EXAMEN:

“Looking back in order to move forward in faith”

HOW DO I USE THIS?

- Begin prayerfully
 - Father you are perfect and holy. I know you know all things about everything. You know our thoughts, attitudes, actions, strengths and weaknesses. We want to be faithful children of yours. We want to know you and be with you more and more fully. Please guide us with truth and equip us with courage to take a thorough and honest examination of our heart, mind and soul. Thank you for knowing us fully and loving us completley. You are our refuge, fortress and rock of salvation, please make us a people pleasing to you.
- Work through one section at a time
- Take your time and read each section thoroughly.
- Keep a pen and paper nearby to write down thoughts, notes or revelations.
- After reading ask yourself a few questions to get started
 - Is this statement true about my own convictions?
 - What is one or two changes I could make that would help me mature in this area?
 - Is there any sin I am discovering that needs confession?
 - Am I becoming aware of something that God is showing me I've grown in over the past year?
 - What does repentance look like?

UNITY WITH THE FATHER

- I am devoted to the Father with an undivided heart
 - For the eyes of Yahweh roam throughout the earth to show Himself strong for those whose hearts are completely His. -2 Chronicles 16:9
- I am devoted to obedience of His ways
 - This is how we are sure that we have come to know Him: by keeping His commands. The one who says, “I have come to know Him,” yet doesn't keep His commands, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoever keeps His word, truly in him the love of God is perfected. This is how we know we are in Him: The one who says he remains in Him should walk just as He walked. -1 John 2:3
 - For example and study:
 - The Sermon on the Mount: Matthew 5-7

- I have nothing in my life that is hidden or kept in the dark. Including attitudes, beliefs or behaviors
 - Now this is the message we have heard from Him and declare to you: God is light, and there is absolutely no darkness in Him. 6 If we say, "We have fellowship with Him," yet we walk in darkness, we are lying and are not practicing the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light as He Himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin. -1 John 1:5-7
- I am not receiving His grace in vain (2 Corinthians 6:1)
 - I give you a new command: Love one another. Just as I have loved you, you must also love one another. By this all people will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another." -John 13:34

UNITY IN MY HOME LIFE

- My spouse and I are unified
 - This one, at last, is bone of my bone and flesh of my flesh; this one will be called "woman," for she was taken from man. This is why a man leaves his father and mother and bonds with his wife, and they become one flesh. -Genesis 2:23-24
- My home is a refuge for holiness, repentance and faithfulness
- Behind closed doors we are the same
- I/we practice hospitality regularly

UNITY IN THE CLEMSON FOOTHILLS CHURCH

- I am unified with my brothers and sisters in purpose and mission
 - If then there is any encouragement in Christ, if any consolation of love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any affection and mercy, 2 fulfill my joy by thinking the same way, having the same love, sharing the same feelings, focusing on one goal. 3 Do nothing out of rivalry or conceit, but in humility consider others as more important than yourselves. 4 Everyone should look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others. -Philippians 2:1-4
- I am not harboring bitterness towards my brothers and sisters
 - All bitterness, anger and wrath, shouting and slander must be removed from you, along with all malice. And be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving one another, just as God also forgave you in Christ. -Ephesians 4:31
- I love my brothers and sisters
 - Love consists in this: not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Dear friends, if God loved us in this way, we also must love one another. No one has ever seen God. If we love one another, God remains in us and His love is perfected in us. -1 Peter 4:10

- **I commit to a Romans 12 ethic with my brothers and sisters:**

- Love must be without hypocrisy. Detest evil; cling to what is good. 10 Show family affection to one another with brotherly love. Outdo one another in showing honor. 11 Do not lack diligence; be fervent in spirit; serve the Lord. 12 Rejoice in hope; be patient in affliction; be persistent in prayer. 13 Share with the saints in their needs; pursue hospitality. 14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. 15 Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. 16 Be in agreement with one another. Do not be proud; instead, associate with the humble. Do not be wise in your own estimation. 17 Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Try to do what is honorable in everyone's eyes. 18 If possible, on your part, live at peace with everyone. 19 Friends, do not avenge yourselves; instead, leave room for His wrath.

-Romans 12:9-19

- **I regularly strive to reach out to co-workers/ friends and neighbors**

- All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth. 19 Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." -Matthew 28:18-20

- **I pray regularly for the lost**