


**Series Truth: Revival restores the joy of _____ Jesus and reawakens us to a life that's fully _____ in Him.**

**First Step: _____ what was.**

*"Let us examine our ways and test them, and let us return to the LORD."*
*Lamentations 3:40 (NIV)*

**Key Idea: _____ self-examination leads to repentance, not just _____ something is wrong.**

What does this text teach us about honest self-examination?

1. Spiritual _____ requires honest self-examination.
   *"Let us examine our ways."*

2. We must _____ our ways, not just notice them.
   *"And test them."*

3. Reflection should lead to a _____ of direction.
   *"And let us return."*

4. The return is to _____—not just improved behavior.
   *"Return to the LORD."*

5. Repentance can be _____.
   "Let us…our ways…let us."

What are some indicators of spiritual drift?

- Prayer becomes _____ neglected.
- You avoid Scripture rather than engage with it.
- God becomes _____.
- Spiritual activity replaces intimacy with God.
- You increasingly _____ being challenged.
- Things that once troubled your conscience no longer concern you.
- You explain away _____.
- You delay repentance.
- You _____ your conscience.
- You justify compromise rather than confront it.
- You _____ from healthy Christian fellowship.
- You resent people who lovingly challenge you.
- _____ consistently takes priority over spiritual growth.
- Distractions repeatedly crowd out intentional time with God.
- Maintaining a spiritual _____ matters more than being honest.

**Personal Questions:** Take your time and prayerfully process these questions with God.

- Has there been a time in my life when I enjoyed a closer, more intimate relationship with God? How long ago was that? What changed?

- Where has my behavior stopped reflecting Jesus? Is there one or two things you're doing now that doesn't represent Jesus well?

- Where do my actions contradict what I say I believe? Do you feel like you're living a double life? What's keeping you from aligning under God's Word?

- What behavior, attitude, or activity am I excusing or concealing?

- Do my current patterns reveal misplaced priorities?

- Are my actions reflecting faithfulness to God?

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