



SPIRITUAL SELF-EXAMINATION

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- Self-examination is a biblical concept that is taught throughout God's Word. **1 Corinthians 11:28, 2 Corinthians 13:5, Galatians 6:1, Psalms 26:2; 139:23-24**
- Self-examination that leads to self-awareness is very _____.
- Paul looked in three directions as he examined his life.

First, he looked _____ . Vs. 6

- Paul looked around, and he wasn't in denial. He understood where he was at and the situation he was in.
- Paul was a man at _____.
 - *"I am ready to be offered."*
 - *"I am ready to depart."*

"For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens." 2 Corinthians 5:1
- As Paul looked around at his circumstances, he had total peace. He knew he had given His _____ to Christ.
- As you do some honest self-examination and you look around at your life, are you _____? Are you at peace?

Second, he looked _____. Vs. 7

- *“I have fought a good fight.”*
 - Paul had fought on the side of right and truth.
- *“I have finished my course.”*
 - People take their eyes off of Jesus. They start looking at people, position, or power.
- *“I have kept the faith.”*
 - Paul had been put in trust with the gospel of Christ and had not swerved from it or compromised it.
 - Paul was not always popular, but he remained _____.

Third, he looked _____. Vs. 8

- *“There is laid up for me a crown of righteousness.”*
- This is a reward given to those who have lived righteous lives as they wait expectantly for the _____ of Jesus.

“For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Are not even you in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming?” 1 Thessalonians 2:19

- Look around – no matter your circumstances, do you have _____ peace?
- Look back – are you pleased with your _____ for Christ?
- Look ahead – Christ is returning! Are you _____ to meet Him?