

WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE TO LOVE G-D FROM ONE'S MIND? ©

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This assessment grows out of our study of what it looks like to love G-d from out of our deepest affections, conscious thought life, mind, & bodily powers (Mark 12:28-34). This assessment is a tool designed to both probe & motivate us to reflect upon our intimacy with G-d by specifically examining the extent to which we love G-d with our G-d given minds. Please take this assessment prayerfully, answering the questions honestly. Be sure to avoid excessive self-criticism & self-congratulation. To be sure, the following indicators are "road-signs" & not necessarily absolute statements. Some of the questions are not only similar, but are also dynamically related.

Key:**1 = equaling never/true evident****2 = seldom true/evident****3 = occasionally true/evident****4 = usually true/evident****5 = consistently true/evident*****You are loving G-d from out of your mind when...***

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| 1. My intimately know Jesus Christ as my God, Savior, and Friend: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. I deeply love God because I deeply know Him: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Every day I offer my mind G-d: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. My mind is stayed on G-d: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. My mind is not starved by neglecting the pursuit and knowledge of G-d: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. I have long, fervent periods of prayer whereby I commune with G-d: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. My mind is devoted entirely to G-d: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. I "capture" ungodly thoughts that enter into my mind: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9. I safeguard my mind for influences that are contrary to G-d: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 10. I invite G-d to scrutinize my mind so that I might better love Him: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 11. Thinking about G-d regularly leads to me confession, thanksgiving, & praise: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 12. I control my thought life so as to think in ways that better honor G-d: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 13. I bring every thought into captivity to the Lord Jesus Christ (2 Cor. 10:3-5): | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 14. I intentionally strive to cultivate a "Christ-like" mind: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 15. I purposefully memorize Scripture because of its transformational power: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 16. I recognize that the mind is truly a gift from G-d: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 17. I refuse to allow my emotions to control my ability to reason & evaluate: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 18. I strive to cultivate a mind that accurately evaluates truth-claims: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 19. I promote a mind that cultivates good reasoning, accuracy, & discernment: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 20. I protect my mind from the world's hostile system: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 21. My outward worship sincerely flows from a mind of worship: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 22. I allow the Holy Spirit to control my mind (1 Cor. 2:15-16): | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 23. I continually submit my mind to the control of the Holy Spirit (Eph. 4:22-23): | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 24. I regularly reflect upon <i>why</i> I think about what I think about: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 25. I regularly pray that the peace of G-d will guard my mind from worrying: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 26. I am single-minded, not double-minded (James 1): | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 27. Jesus Christ is the central focus of my mind as I go throughout my day: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 28. I consistently mortify, that is, put to death, evil thoughts (Romans 8:13): | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 29. I discipline my mind to be G-dwardly directed: | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 30. I proactively cultivate a mind of intellectual excellence (Phil. 2: 1 Peter 1): | 1 <input type="checkbox"/> | 2 <input type="checkbox"/> | 3 <input type="checkbox"/> | 4 <input type="checkbox"/> | 5 <input type="checkbox"/> |

31. I commit my mind to accurate knowledge of G-d's Word (2 Tim. 3:16-17): 1 2 3 4 5
32. I commit my mind to appropriate application of G-d's Word: 1 2 3 4 5
33. My mind is not divided by the sacred & the profane: 1 2 3 4 5
34. I do not marginalize or trivialize the assimilation of proper biblical truth: 1 2 3 4 5
35. I am prepared to answer the best answers with the deepest questions explaining why the biblical worldview possesses the greatest explanatory power among other worldviews: 1 2 3 4 5
36. I refuse to fail in being prepared to answer anyone who asks me why I believe what I believe (1 Peter 3:15): 1 2 3 4 5
37. I am able to reason with and refute fallacious reasoning with gentleness: 1 2 3 4 5
38. G-d's Word is the standard I use to measure against one's truth-claims: 1 2 3 4 5
39. I truly recognize that my thought life becomes what I behold: 1 2 3 4 5
40. I refuse to come to a point whereby I cannot recognize false teaching in the local or universal church: 1 2 3 4 5
41. I study G-d's Word to show myself approved for His glory: 1 2 3 4 5
42. I know that the goal of instruction is a clear conscience, love, & humility: 1 2 3 4 5
43. I will not allow my mind to be controlled by others: 1 2 3 4 5
44. I don't diminish, isolate, neglect, or segregate the mind from the command to love G-d with my heart, soul, and strength: 1 2 3 4 5
45. My mind accurately reflects who I am in Christ: 1 2 3 4 5
46. I think critically by appraising truth claims logically & biblically: 1 2 3 4 5
47. Indifference towards biblical theology is foreign to me: 1 2 3 4 5
48. As a parent I take personal responsibility to teach my children biblical truth: 1 2 3 4 5
49. I have taking ownership to intimately knowing G-d's Word: 1 2 3 4 5
50. I do not prostitute my mind by focusing on foolish matters: 1 2 3 4 5
51. I do not prostitute my mind by focusing on matters that are irrelevant: 1 2 3 4 5
52. I actively participate in a local church where the exposition of biblical truth is central to worshipping G-d: 1 2 3 4 5
53. I support activities that cultivate a mind of excellence in serving G-d 1 2 3 4 5
54. I value the rich insight of historical theology: 1 2 3 4 5
55. I do not easily give up when I do not immediately understand something: 1 2 3 4 5
56. I am eager to learn, grow in my understanding, & reflect upon subjects that will help me engage others: 1 2 3 4 5
57. I am determined to faithfully passed down to the generation uncompromised biblical truth (Jude 3): 1 2 3 4 5
58. I cultivate humility with the knowledge I acquire: 1 2 3 4 5
59. I seek to better love people with the knowledge I acquire: 1 2 3 4 5
60. I support people who G-d calls to ministry in order that they may acquire the best education possible in order to be able to best minister to future generations with the best skills possible: 1 2 3 4 5

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"Let the mind of the Master be the master of Your Mind."