

## 2 CORINTHIANS | SELF-EXAMINATION

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The Corinthian church should have been following Jesus Christ. They should have been growing as His disciples. Instead, they were being led astray. They were being turned against Paul and his ministry team and even worse, turned against Jesus Christ, Himself. Paul knew he had to strengthen those who remained faithful and call the unfaithful to turn back to Christ. Paul summarizes the purpose of this letter in 2 Corinthians 13:10: ""<sup>10</sup> For this reason I write these things while I am away from you, that when I come I may not have to be severe in my use of the authority that the Lord has given me for building up and not for tearing down." Some of the church did a poor job of examining the false apostles. Also, they were wrong in their examination of Paul. Paul now challenges them to examine themselves. Paul demonstrated what it means to be a disciple maker. At the same time, he instructs us in how we need to examine ourselves. What are the traits of a disciple maker?

1. Disciple makers understand that self-\_\_\_\_\_ is crucial for disciples and that it will affect the way they \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Disciple makers want the \_\_\_\_\_ for others even at their own \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Disciple makers pray for \_\_\_\_\_ in the church, however, will do what is necessary whether \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Disciple makers encourage disciples to practice \_\_\_\_\_ and remind them that they are part of something \_\_\_\_\_ than \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The disciple maker's work is \_\_\_\_\_ in the gracious, loving, and empowering work of the \_\_\_\_\_.