

## Character Assessment for Men for Ministry

Over the years, leaders have discovered that godly character is critical to effective ministry for Christ. However, no one is perfect, and all of us have our weaknesses and flaws as well as strengths. This character assessment is to help you determine your character strengths and weaknesses so that you can know where you are strong and where you need to develop and grow. The characteristic principles are found in 1 Tim. 3:1-7 and Titus 1:6-9.

**Directions:** Circle the number that best represents how you would rate yourself in each area.

1. I am "above reproach." I have a good reputation among people in general. I have done nothing that someone could use as an accusation against me.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

2. I am the "husband of one wife." If married, I not only have one wife but I am not physically or mentally promiscuous for I am focused only on her.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

3. I am "temperate." I am a well-balanced person. I am not excessive or given to extremes in beliefs, etc.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

4. I am "sensible." I show good judgment in life and have a proper perspective regarding myself and my abilities (humble).

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

5. I am "respectable." I conduct my life in an honorable way, and people have and show respect for me.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

6. I am "hospitable." I use my residence as a place to serve and minister to Christians and non Christians alike.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

**7.** I am "able to teach." When I teach the Bible, I show an aptitude for handling the Scriptures with reasonable skill.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

**8.** I am "not violent." I am under control. I do not lose control to the point that I strike or cause damage to other people or their property.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

**9.** I am "gentle." I am a kind, meek (not weak), forbearing person who does not insist on his rights nor resort to violence.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

**10.** I am "not quarrelsome." I am not contentious; rather I'm a peacemaker who avoids hostile situations with people.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

**11.** I am "not a lover of money." I do not covet the best and biggest of everything, but I seek first His righteousness, knowing that God will supply my needs.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

**12.** I "manage my family well." If I am married and have a family, my children obey me with respect. People do not think of or accuse them of being wild or disobedient.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

**13.** I am "not a recent convert." I am not a new Christian who finds myself constantly struggling with pride and conceit.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

**14.** I have "a good reputation with outsiders." Though those not of the faith may not agree with my religious convictions, they still respect me as a person.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

**15.** I am "not overbearing." I am not self-willed, stubborn, or arrogant.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

**16.** I am "not quick-tempered." I am not inclined toward anger (an angry person), and I do not lose my temper quickly and easily.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

**17.** I am "not pursuing dishonest gain." I am not fond of, nor involved in, any wrongful practices that result in fraudulent gain.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

**18.** I "love what is good." I love the things that honor God.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

**19.** I am "upright." I live in accordance with the laws of God and man.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

**20.** I am "holy." I am a devout person, whose life is generally pleasing to God.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

**21.** I "hold firmly to the faith." I understand, hold to, and attempt to preserve God's truth. I also encourage others while refuting those who oppose the truth.

Weak      1      2      3      4      5      6      7      8      Strong

When you have completed this character assessment, place below under strengths those characteristics where you scored a 5 or higher. Place those where you scored a 4 or less under weaknesses. Also, how do you plan to improve in your areas of weakness?

Strengths:

Weaknesses: