

Faith Practices and Growth

Consent form text goes here.

- I consent
- I do not consent

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Do you believe in God, or not, or are you unsure?

- Believe in God
 - Do not believe in God
 - Unsure
-

Which of the following views comes the closest to your own view of God:

- Personal being involved in the lives of people today
 - Created the world but is not involved in the world now
 - Not personal
 - Like a cosmic life force
 - None of these views
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Which of the following statements comes closest to your own views about religion?

- Only one religion is true
 - Many religions may be true
 - There is very little truth in any religion
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Some people think that it is okay to pick and choose their religious beliefs without having to accept the teachings of their religious faith as a whole. Do you agree or disagree?

- Agree
 - Disagree
-

How often, if ever, do you pray by yourself alone?

- Never
 - Less than once a month
 - One to two times a month
 - About once a week
 - A few times a week
 - About once a day
 - Many times a day
-

About how often do you usually attend religious services?

- Never
 - A few times a year
 - Many times a year
 - Once a month
 - Two to three times a month
 - Once a week
 - More than once a week
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In the last year, how much, if at all, did you help homeless people, needy neighbors, family, friends, or other people in need, directly, not through an organization?

- A lot
 - Some
 - A little
 - None
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How important or unimportant is religious faith in shaping how you live your daily life?

- Extremely important
- Very important
- Somewhat important
- Not very important
- Not important at all

How distant or close to God do you feel most of the time?

- Extremely distant
- Very distant
- Somewhat distant
- Somewhat close
- Very close
- Extremely close

How often, if at all, do you think about the meaning of life?

- Never
- Rarely
- Sometimes
- Very often

How frequently do the following items describe you?

	Never (1)	Almost never (2)	Rarely (3)	Occasionally (4)	Often (5)	Almost always (6)	Always (7)
I help others with their religious questions and struggles.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I seek opportunities to help me spiritually.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

I feel a sense of responsibility for reducing pain and suffering in the world.

I give significant portions of time and money to help other people.

I feel God's presence in my relationships with other people.

I feel my life is filled with meaning and purpose.

I care a great deal about reducing poverty in my country and throughout the world.

I apply my faith to political and social issues.

The things I do reflect a commitment to Jesus Christ.

I talk with other people about my faith.

I have a real sense that God is guiding me.

I am spiritually moved by the beauty of God's creation.

How true of you are the following statements?

	Not at all true of me (1)	Hardly true of me (2)	Neither true nor false of me (3)	Somewhat true of me (4)	Totally true of me (5)
I often read books and magazines about my faith.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I make financial contributions to my religious organization.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I spend time trying to grow in understanding of my faith.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Religion is especially important to me because it answers many questions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

about the meaning of life.

My religious beliefs lie behind my whole approach to life.

I enjoy spending time with others of my religious affiliation.

Religious beliefs influence all my dealings in life.

It is important to me to spend periods of time in private religious thought and reflection.

I enjoy working in the activities of my religious organization.

I keep well informed about my local religious group and have some influence in its decisions.

To what extent do you agree with the following statements?

	Strongly disagree (1)	Somewhat disagree (2)	Neither agree nor disagree (3)	Somewhat agree (4)	Strongly agree (5)
I enjoy reading about my religion.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I go to church because it helps me to make friends.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It doesn't much matter what I believe so long as I am good.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is important to me to spend time in private thought and prayer.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have often had a strong sense of God's presence.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I pray mainly to gain relief and protection.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I try hard to live all my life according to my religious beliefs.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
What religion offers me most is comfort in times of trouble and sorrow.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Prayer is for peace and happiness.

Although I am religious, I don't let it affect my daily life.

I go to church mostly to spend time with my friends.

My whole approach to life is based on my religion.

I go to church mainly because I enjoy seeing people there.

Although I believe in my religion, many other things are more important in life.

Everyone might experience a community differently. In the following questions, rate the extent to which they describe your experience with the current faith community you attend.

People in my church community...

	Never (1)	Almost never (2)	Rarely (3)	Occasionally (4)	Often (5)	Almost always (6)	Always (7)
...help others with their religious questions and struggles.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
...seek opportunities to help each other spiritually.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
...feel God's presence in relationships with each other.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
...feel that life is filled with meaning and purpose.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
...act in ways that reflect a commitment to Jesus Christ.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
...talk with other people about their faith.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
...have a real sense that God is guiding them.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

...are
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...feel a
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...care a
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about
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and
throughout
the world.

...apply their
faith to
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issues.

People in my church community...

	Never (1)	Almost never (2)	Rarely (3)	Occasionally (4)	Often (5)	Almost always (6)	Always (7)
...do not want to try new approaches and ideas in the church.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
...are willing to change the way things are done.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
...are willing to share and listen to different points of view.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
...are able to express doubts and concerns about the church.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

People in my church community...

	Never (1)	Almost never (2)	Rarely (3)	Occasionally (4)	Often (5)	Almost always (6)	Always (7)
...treat each other as family (e.g., visiting the sick, celebrating anniversaries).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
...find it hard to be accepted by others in the church at first.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
...connect with each other outside of formal church services.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
...feel like an essential part of the congregation.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Of the following, how do you see faith lived out in your church community?

	Never (1)	Almost never (2)	Rarely (3)	Occasionally (4)	Often (5)	Almost always (6)	Always (7)
Love	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Joy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Peace	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Patience	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Kindness	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Goodness	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Faithfulness	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Gentleness	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Self-control	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If you went to college, to what extent did your college experience support you in:

	Not at all (1)	Hardly at all (2)	Somewhat (3)	Moderately (4)	Extensively (5)	Not Applicable
Questioning/challenging your faith and the beliefs you grew up with	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Engaging with others who stimulate and support you in your faith	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Experiencing God's presence (e.g., experiencing awe or wonder)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Learning about theology and religion (e.g., classes, lectures, seminars)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Engaging in spiritual/religious practices (e.g., chapel, worship services)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Living out your faith in the world around you (e.g., service projects, mission trips, volunteering with local ministries)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

If you did not go to college, to what extent did you spend the four years after high school:

	Not at all (1)	Hardly at all (2)	Somewhat (3)	Moderately (4)	Extensively (5)	Not Applicable
Questioning/challenging your faith and the beliefs you grew up with	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Engaging with others who stimulate and support you in your faith	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Living out your faith in the world around you (e.g., service projects, mission trips, volunteering with local ministries)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

To what extent does your current church/religious community support you in:

	Not at all (1)	Hardly at all (2)	Somewhat (3)	Moderately (4)	Extensively (5)	Not Applicable
Questioning/challenging your faith and the beliefs you grew up with	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Engaging with others who stimulate and support you in your faith	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Living out your faith in the world around you (e.g., service projects, mission trips, volunteering with local ministries)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Do you wish your current church/religious community provided you with a different level of support in the following areas?

	Significantly less (1)	Slightly less (2)	No change (3)	Slightly more (4)	Significantly more (5)	Not Applicable
Questioning/challenging your faith and the beliefs you grew up with	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Engaging with others who stimulate and support you in your faith	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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How often do you engage in the following spiritual practices?

	Never (1)	Almost never (2)	Rarely (3)	Occasionally (4)	Often (5)	Very often (6)	Constantly (7)
Meditation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Journaling	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Reading scripture	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Prayer	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Fasting	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Confession	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Communion	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Caring for others	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Worshipping with a faith community	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

What other spiritual/religious practices have contributed significantly to your faith growth?

What does your church/religious community do that contributes to your faith growth?

Please select the option that best describes your experience after high school:

- Entered the workforce
- Attended a trade/vocational school
- Attended a two-year/community college
- Attended a private college (non-religious)
- Attended a state college
- Attended a Christian college
- Other (please specify) _____

Please indicate your year of birth using four digits.

Please indicate your gender:

- Male
- Female
- Non-binary/third gender
- Prefer not to say
- Prefer to self-describe (please specify)

Please indicate your race/ethnicity (check all that apply):

- White
 - Hispanic or Latino
 - Native American or Alaska Native
 - Asian
 - Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
 - Black or African American
 - Other (please specify) _____
-

If you had to choose one political party, which would you identify with?

- Republican
 - Democrat
 - Independent
 - Libertarian
 - Green
 - Other (please specify) _____
-

Please indicate your political leanings:

Rate yourself on a scale from very conservative (0) to very liberal (100).



Are you now married, widowed, divorced, separated, or never married?

- Married
 - Widowed
 - Divorced
 - Separated
 - Never married
 - Other (please specify) _____
-

Do you have any children? If yes, please specify age(s).

- Yes _____
- No

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