

The Importance of Self-Examination

II Corinthians 13:5 NLT – The Message

This passage calls for self-examination.

1. It has been said that “I” is the most important and influential letter in the alphabet.

“I” is the person responsible for your every action.

2. Something else we should recognize about “I”!

“I” is in the center of sin, pride, and Saviour.

I. “I” IS THE CENTER OF SIN

1. Sin is the transgression of God’s law.

2. Sin is what defiles us. **Mark 7: 20-23**

3. Sin separates from God. **Isa 59:2**

4. Sin excludes from Heaven **I Corinthians 6:9-11**

5. Sin is forgivable **Ephesians 1:6, 7**

The blood of Christ takes “I” out of sin...

II. “I” IS THE CENTER OF PRIDE **Luke 18:11-14**

1. The Pharisee’s greatest sin was pride, -- “I”

2. **Pride goes before destruction, and haughtiness before a fall.** **Proverbs 16:18**

3. Pharaoh’s pride destroyed him. Exodus 5

4. Naaman’s pride almost cost him his life. II kings.5

5. Pride destroys humility and builds a wall between us and God.

III. “I” IS THE CENTER OF SAVIOUR

1. **John 14:15-20**

2. **So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus.** **Romans 8:1**

3. In Christ you are a new creature. **Galatians 2:20**

4. Our faith and hope, our comfort and strength, and our joy are found in Him.

5. **For in him we live and move and exist. As some of your own poets have said,**
‘We are his offspring.’ **Acts 17:28**

Conclusion: He is our eternal security

ARE YOU IN HIM?

IS HE IN YOU?