

*Test me, O LORD, and try me, examine my heart and my mind; for your love is ever before me,
and I walk continually in your truth. Psalm 26:2-3 (NIV)*

Examine Me

Do you really want me to test your life? Are you really asking me to closely examine your heart and mind? Are you confident that your life will pass my test? Do you think that your heart and mind will be able to stand up under my close examination? Only you can make it so my life will pass your test. Only you can make my heart and mind stand up under your close examination. Do I feel confident that I will pass your test? Do I think that my heart and mind and life will stand up under your close examination? I know with certainty that I am not perfect. I am far from perfect. **Why then would you ask me to test your life by examining your heart and mind? There is no closer scrutiny than this test. Do you have no fear in me testing your heart and mind and life?** Those are good questions.

I know that you love me. I also love you. You want me to live in a close and intimate relationship with you. **Yes, I do.** You don't want anything to hinder our relationship with each other. **No, I do not.** I want to live my life in every way that is pleasing to you. I want to know you. I want to walk in your ways. I want to follow you to wherever you lead me. I want to do whatever you ask of me. I don't want to lag behind or run ahead of you. I don't want to wander to the left or right of you. I want to walk closely with you as you lead me through life. Your love for me makes me unafraid of your testing. Your love for me makes me unafraid of your close examination. My love for you welcomes and invites your testing and close examination of my heart and mind and life. **I accept your welcome and invitation.** I know that you will work in my life according to your purposes and plans. You will do what needs to be done. You will change my heart and transform my mind. **Yes, I will.** You will remove anything my heart and mind and life that is not pleasing to you. **Yes, I will.** That is what I am asking for. That is what I want. Do your work in my life so that I will be able to walk closely with you. **Yes, I will.**

Lord, go ahead and test my life by examining my heart. I want to know your will. I want to walk in your ways. I want to live my life in ways that are pleasing to you. Use your word to change my heart and transform my mind. Help me to walk closely with you. Amen

The Mind*Test Me*

Test me, O LORD, and try me, examine my heart and my mind; for your love is ever before me, and I walk continually in your truth.

NIV

Psalm 26:2-3

The Mind*Prove Me*

Prove me, O LORD, and try me; test my heart and my mind. For your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in your faithfulness.

ESV

Psalm 26:2-3

The Mind*Put Me On Trial*

Put me on trial, LORD, and cross-examine me. Test my motives and my heart. For I am always aware of your unfailing love, and I have lived according to your truth.

NLT

Psalm 26:2-3

The Mind*Examine Me*

Examine me, O LORD, and prove me; Try my mind and my heart. For Your lovingkindness is before my eyes, And I have walked in Your truth.

NKJV

Psalm 26:2-3

The Mind*Prove Me*

Prove me, O LORD, and try me; test my heart and mind. For your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in faithfulness to you.

NRSV

Psalm 26:2-3

The Mind*Examine Me*

Examine me, GOD, from head to foot, order your battery of tests. Make sure I'm fit inside and out So I never lose sight of your love, But keep in step with you, never missing a beat.

MSG

Psalm 26:2-3

The Mind*Examine Me*

Examine me, O Lord, and prove me; test my heart and my mind. For Your loving-kindness is before my eyes, and I have walked in Your truth [faithfully].

AMP

Psalm 26:2-3

The Mind*Cross-Examine Me*

Cross-examine me, O Lord, and see that this is so; test my motives and affections too. For I have taken your loving-kindness and your truth as my ideals.

TLB

Psalm 26:2-3

The Mind*Examine Me*

Examine me, O LORD, and try me; Test my mind and my heart. For Your lovingkindness is before my eyes, And I have walked in Your truth.

NASB

Psalm 26:2-3

The Mind*Test Me*

LORD, try me and test me; look closely into my heart and mind. I see your love, and I live by your truth.

NCV

Psalm 26:2-3

Test Me

Year ____ Week ____ Day ____ Date ____

The Mind – Psalm 26:2-3

In Context: Read Psalm 26

Begin With Prayer:

Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.

Meditating On God’s Word: ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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Considering The Words: ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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Praying The Scripture:

(What prayer from your heart will you write?)

Lord, go ahead and test my life by examining my heart. I want to know your will. I want to walk in your ways. I want to live my life in ways that are pleasing to you. Use your word to change my heart and transform my mind. Help me to walk closely with you. Amen

What It Means:

(What questions speak to your heart?) *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

When have you asked the Lord to test your life by examining your heart?

What has the Lord shown you when you asked Him to test your life by examining your heart?

Why will what is in your heart and on your mind help or hinder your walk with the Lord?

How is the Lord using the truth of His word to change your heart and transform your mind?

How has God’s love for you and yours for Him given you a powerful desire to walk according to His will and ways?

What thoughts of yours would you like the Lord to change by bringing them into conformity with His will?

What thoughts have you left behind so that you could live the life God has called you to live?

Living It Out:

(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)

Ask the Lord to test your life by examining your heart so that you will be able to walk even more closely with Him.

Seeing It Happen:

(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)

Have faith that the Lord will test your life by examining your heart so He can draw you even closer to Him.

Get Ready To Share:

(What can you share with others from your heart?)

Share with another person or your small group how you are allowing the Lord to test your life by examining your heart.

Close With Prayer:

Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

Pause And Offer Prayers Of...

With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You

Adoration... _____

Thanksgiving... _____

Confession... _____

Intercession... _____

Petition... _____

Journal

As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord

What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?

What Prayers Are You Praying Today?

Prayer Of Blessing

(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)

May you allow the Lord to test your life by examining your heart so can walk even more closely with Him.

Prayer To Carry

(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)

Lord, test my life by examining my heart so I can walk even more closely with you.

What Do You Want To Remember About Today?

A Question To Ask God

(What Would You Like To Ask God?)

Lord, what do you want to show me as you examine my life by testing my heart?
