

ACE Ninety Character Qualities of Jesus Christ

The 90 character traits demonstrated in the life of Jesus Christ, the world's foremost example of how man ought to live, are included in the PACES. All 60 character traits are presented within each level of the curriculum. They are presented in poems, songs, in role-modeling character strips, and in activities. In each PACE the character trait is defined, and the student is required to memorize a Bible verse that teaches the corresponding character quality. **** There are now two verses for each character quality – one from Old Testament and one from New Testament**

Affectionate: Demonstrating the same Godly love and compassion for others as Jesus Christ exhibited for others

***I Chronicles 29:3** – Moreover, because I have set my affection to the house of my God, I have of mine own proper good, of gold and silver, which I have given to the house of my God, over and above all that I have prepared for the holy house.*

***Romans 12:10** – Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another.*

Appreciative: Expressing thanks to God and others for the ways they have served me

***I Chronicles 16:34** – O give thanks to the LORD; for he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever.*

***I Thessalonians 5:18** - In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.*

Attentive: Demonstrating that the person is deserving by giving genuine courtesy and consideration to God's Word or a person's words

***Proverbs 1:8** – My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother.*

***Hebrews 2:1** – Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip.*

Available: Scheduling my priorities to fit the desires of others

***Isaiah 6:8** – Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me.*

***Matthew 9:9** – And as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he [Jesus] saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him.*

Blessed: Radiating the joy of the Lord in life as a result of daily delighting in and meditating on God's Word and living in harmony with its precepts

***Psalms 1:1, 2** – Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.*

***James 1:12** – Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.*

Cheerful: Renouncing negative feelings and expressing optimism unto the Lord and others for my salvation by living for Jesus Christ

***Proverbs 15:13** – A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance: but by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken.*

***II Corinthians 9:7** – Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.*

Committed: Giving the control of my life to the Lord

***Psalms 37:5** – Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass.*

Romans 12:1-2 – *I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.*

Compassionate: Giving whatever is necessary to meet another's needs without expecting anything in return
Proverbs 31:20 – *She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy.*
I Peter 3:8 – *Finally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous.*

Concerned: Bearing another's burdens with great affection and admiration
Exodus 2:17 – *And the shepherds came and drove them away; but Moses stood up and helped them, and watered their flock.*
Galatians 6:2 – *Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.*

Confident: Having assurance that whatever I say or do will benefit me and others
Proverbs 3:26 – *For the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken.*
Philippians 4:13 – *I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.*

Considerate: Thoughtful of others and of their feelings
Genesis 50:21 – *Now therefore fear ye not: I will nourish you, and your little ones. And he comforted them, and spake kindly unto them.*
Philippians 2:4 – *Look [consider] not every man on his own things [interests], but every man also on the things of others.*

Consistent: Not wavering from God's principles
Psalms 119:10 – *With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments.*
I Corinthians 15:58 – *Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast [constant], unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.*

Content: Understanding and accepting that God has provided everything I need for adjusting to circumstances around me
Proverbs 19:23 – *The fear of the LORD tendeth to life: and he that hath it shall abide satisfied; he shall not be visited with evil.*
Philippians 4:11 – *Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content.*

Cooperative: Working or dwelling in unity with others
Psalms 133:1 – *Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!*
Philippians 2:2 – *Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind.*

Courageous: Demonstrating that God is with me, giving strength and firmness of character, enabling me to endure any trial or danger
Deuteronomy 31:6 – *Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.*
Philippians 1:20 – *According to my earnest expectation and my hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but that with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death.*

Courteous: Yielding my rights and privileges so the grace of God may flow through me for the benefit of others

II Kings 4:9, 10 – *And she said unto her husband, Behold now, I perceive that this is an holy man of God, which passeth by us continually. Let us make a little chamber, I pray thee, on the wall; and let us set for him there a bed, and a table, and a stool, and a candlestick: and it shall be, when he cometh to us, that he shall turn in thither.*

Romans 12:13 – *Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality.*

Creative: Meeting a need or a chore from a different point of view

Exodus 2:7-8 – *Then said his (Moses') sister to Pharaoh's daughter, Shall I go and call to thee a nurse of the Hebrew women, that she may nurse the child for thee? And Pharaoh's daughter said to her, Go. And the maid went and called the child's mother.*

Romans 12:2 – *And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.*

Decisive: Making all decisions based on the perfect will of God

Joshua 24:15 – *And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.*

James 1:5 – *If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.*

Deferent: Controlling my privileges and preferences in order not to offend those God has called me to serve (putting their wishes or opinions before mine)

Genesis 13:8-9 – *And Abraham said, Is not the whole land before thee? Separate thyself, I pray thee, from me: if thou wilt take the left hand, then I will go to the right; or if thou depart to the right hand, then I will go to the left.*

I Corinthians 10:33 – *Even as I please all men in all things, not seeking mine own profit, but the profit of many, that they may be saved.*

Dependable: Being worthy of trust by doing what I said I would do even if it means self-denial

Numbers 30:2 – *If a man vow a vow unto the LORD, or swear an oath to bind his soul with a bond; he shall not break his word, he shall do according to all that proceedeth out of his mouth.*

I Timothy 6:20 – *O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings and oppositions of science falsely so called.*

Determined: Purposing to accomplish God's best regardless of the opposition

Daniel 3:17-18 – *If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.*

I Corinthians 2:2 – *For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified.*

Diligent: Seeing a chore (work) as a special assignment from the Lord and doing everything to complete it.

Proverbs 21:5 – *The thoughts of the diligent tend only to plenteousness; but of every one that is hasty only to want.*

Colossians 3:23 – *And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men.*

Discerning: Having the insight and sympathetic understanding into a difficult situation and being able to make an accurate judgment

Ezekiel 44:23 – *And they shall teach my people the difference between the holy and profane, and cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.*

Hebrews 5:14 – *But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.*

Discreet: Forming sound opinions and giving serious attention and thought to what one is doing, especially to details

Psalm 112:5 – A good man sheweth favour, and lendeth: he will guide his affairs with discretion.

Ephesians 5:15 – See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise.

Efficient: Accomplishing the greatest productivity by preparing myself and my environment

Proverbs 31:15 – She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth meat to her household, and a portion to her maidens.

Ephesians 5:16 – Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

Equitable: Showing justice and impartiality to persons and programs according to God's law

Proverbs 1:3 – To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and judgment, and equity.

I Timothy 5:21 – I charge thee before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the elect angels, that thou observe these things without preferring one before another, doing nothing by partiality.

Fair: Seeing a situation from the viewpoint of each person involved

Micah 6:8 – He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the LORD require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

Matthew 7:12 – Therefore all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them: for this is the law and the prophets.

Faithful: Manifesting a true spirit to a person to whom one is bound by a promise, a pledge, honor, or love

Daniel 6:4 – Then the presidents and princes sought to find occasion against Daniel concerning the kingdom; but they could find none occasion nor fault; forasmuch as he was faithful, neither was there any error or fault found in him.

I Corinthians 4:2 – Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

Fearless: Facing danger with a spirit of determination, for God gives us the spirit of power

Isaiah 41:13 – For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.

II Timothy 1:7 – For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

Flexible: Surrendering or yielding affections to God, not to earthly things that can be changed by others

Proverbs 3:5 – Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

Colossians 3:2 – Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

Forgiving: Overlooking another's faults by means of expressing to him Christ's love (responding as if there were no faults)

Proverbs 19:11 – The discretion of a man deferreth his anger, and it is his glory to pass over a transgression.

Colossians 3:13 – Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.

Friendly: Extending my life to a friendship by receiving a person with the attitude: What is God doing in his life? How can I help?

Proverbs 18:24 – A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.

Hebrews 10:24 – And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works.

Generous: Using all I have to glorify God because it all belongs to Him

Proverbs 22:9 – He that hath a bountiful eye shall be blessed; for he giveth of his bread to the poor.

Acts 20:35 – I have shewed you all things, how that so laboring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.

Gentle: Responding tenderheartedly to the needs of others

Proverbs 16:24 – *Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.*

II Timothy 2:24 – *And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient.*

Godly: Seeking to display in and through my life all the character traits of Jesus Christ

Psalm 4:3 – *But know that the LORD hath set apart him that is Godly for himself: the LORD will hear when I call unto him.*

I Peter 1:5-7 – *And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.*

Goodly: Showing the moral qualities of virtue, kindness, and mercy to others just as Jesus Christ has abundantly shown these to me

Psalm 23:6 – *Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.*

Galatians 5:22, 23 – *But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.*

Gracious: Expressing to others the same mercy, grace, compassion, and kindness that Jesus Christ has so freely imparted to me

Psalm 145:8 – *The LORD is gracious, and full of compassion; slow to anger, and of great mercy.*

Luke 4:22 – *And all bar him witness, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth. And they said, Is not this Joseph's son?*

Grateful: Expressing gratitude to Jesus Christ for the gift of salvation made possible by faith in His death, burial, and resurrection for me.

Psalm 100:4 – *Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name.*

II Corinthians 9:15 – *Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift.*

Happy: Enjoying the satisfaction of life that is in harmony with God's will, plan, and purpose for my life.

Proverbs 29:18 – *Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.*

I Peter 3:14 – *But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy are ye: and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled.*

Holy: Being conformed to the image of Christ so my life is clean, pure, and free from sin because it is regulated by God and His Word

Psalm 145:17 – *The LORD is righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works.*

I Peter 1:15, 16 – *But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.*

Honest: Dealing righteously, showing what is right and proper to the Lord and others

Leviticus 19:35 – *Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment, in meteyard, in weight, or in measure.*

II Corinthians 8:21 – *Providing for honest things, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men.*

Humble: Recognizing my weakness and showing awareness, as a little child, that God and others are responsible for the accomplishments in my life

Proverbs 16:19 – *Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud.*

I Peter 5:5-6 – *Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time.*

Integrity: Maintaining moral purity and soundness of mind so God's character may be displayed in and through me in all dealings with others

Proverbs 20:7 – *The just man walketh in his integrity: his children are blessed after him.*

III John 12 – *Demetrius hath good report of all men, and of the truth itself: yea, and we also bear record; and ye know that our record is true.*

Joyful: Speaking to myself in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in my heart to the Lord as a result of being in agreement with God and others (shows on the countenance)

Psalms 95:1 – *O come, let us sing unto the LORD: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.*

Ephesians 5:19 – *Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord.*

Just: Living in exact conformity to God's will for my life

II Samuel 23:3 – *The God of Israel said, the Rock of Israel spake to me, He that ruleth over men must be just, ruling in the fear of God.*

I John 1:9 – *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

Kind: Showing a genuine, harmonious attitude toward others

Exodus 2:17 – *And the shepherds came and drove them away: but Moses stood up and helped them, and watered their flock.*

Ephesians 4:32 – *And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.*

Knowledgeable: Growing in a deeper comprehension of Jesus Christ that leads me to a greater understanding of His Word and His will for my life

Proverbs 1:7 – *The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.*

Romans 11:33 – *O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!*

Longsuffering: Displaying the character of Jesus Christ in my life by bearing the reproaches and irritations of others for as long as they persist

Numbers 14:18 – *The LORD is longsuffering, and of great mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and by no means clearing the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation.*

II Timothy 4:2 – *Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.*

Loving: Having a Godly affection for Jesus Christ, His Word, and those He brings into my life to serve

Proverbs 22:1 – *A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold.*

Ephesians 5:2 – *And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.*

Loyal: Confirming my commitment to a person or cause in time of adversity

Proverbs 17:17 – *A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity.*

John 15:13 – *Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.*

Meek: Yielding everything to God, including the results and thought for self

Psalms 25:9 – *The meek will he guide in judgment: and the meek will he teach his way.*

James 3:13 – *Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? Let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom.*

Merciful: Having, feeling, and showing more kindness than justice requires

Zechariah 7:9 – *Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, Execute true judgment, and shew mercy and compassions every man to his brother.*

Luke 6:36 – *Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful.*

Modest: Purity of mind out of a right relationship with God that leads to purity of manners, morals, and Godly behavior

Psalms 33:1 – *Rejoice in the LORD, O ye righteous: for praise is comely for the upright.*

I Timothy 2:9 – *In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array.*

Obedient: Submitting complete control of my life to Jesus Christ so He controls all my words, actions, and deeds

Exodus 24:7 – *And he took the book of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people: and they said, All that the LORD hath said will we do, and be obedient.*

I Peter 1:14 – *As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance.*

Observant: Foreseeing and responding correctly and alertly to any situation

Proverbs 4:25 – *Let thine eyes look right on, and let thine eyelids look straight before thee.*

Mark 14:38 – *Watch ye and pray, lest ye enter into temptation. The spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak.*

Optimistic: Meditating upon the most hopeful aspects of any situation

Numbers 13:30 – *And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it.*

Romans 8:25 – *But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.*

Orderly: Letting each thing I do be controlled and regulated by Jesus Christ so my life is peaceful rather than chaotic

Ecclesiastes 12:9 – *And moreover, because the preacher was wise, he still taught the people knowledge; yea, he gave good heed, and sought out, and set in order many proverbs.*

I Corinthians 14:40 – *Let all things be done decently and in order.*

Patient: Accepting a difficult situation with calm endurance without complaining or losing self-control.

Psalms 37:8 – *Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.*

Hebrews 12:1 – *Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us.*

Peaceful: Yielding self to the Lord for His control, for “He is our peace” (the inner quietness, freedom from disturbance of strife, absence of excitement or confusion)

Isaiah 26:3 – *Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.*

John 16:33 – *These things I have spoken to you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.*

Perseverant: Withstanding stress (the attacks of time and circumstance) to accomplish God’s best

Isaiah 40:31 – *But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.*

Galatians 6:9 – *And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.*

Persuasive: Motivating and directing others to see issues from God's point of view

Daniel 12:3 – *And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.*

II Timothy 2:25 – *In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth.*

Prayerful: Staying in daily communication with God so He can direct my thoughts, words, and actions

II Chronicles 7:14 – *If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and see my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.*

Philippians 4:6 – *Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.*

Prepared: Taking the steps necessary to make myself ready to accomplish God's plan for my life each day

II Chronicles 27:6 – *So Jotham became mighty, because he prepared his ways before the LORD his God.*

II Timothy 2:21 – *If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.*

Prudent: Seeing what is likely to happen and giving careful thought in acting and planning

Proverbs 14:15 – *The simple believeth every word: but the prudent man looketh well to his going.*

Luke 14:28 – *For which of you, intending to build a tower, sitteth not down first, and counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it?*

Punctual: Showing respect for God's timing as well as other people's time by being on time or quick to act when a request is made

Ecclsiastes 3:1 – *To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven.*

Philippians 2:4 – *Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.*

Pure: Keeping my life free from moral defilement by maintaining holy thoughts, words, and actions in order to be like Jesus Christ.

Psalms 24:4 – *He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.*

Matthew 5:8 – *Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.*

Purposeful: Resolving to accomplish a long-range goal and allowing this goal to determine my daily progress

Psalms 119:2 – *Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him with the whole heart.*

John 9:4 – *I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.*

Ready: Quickly responding to the commands and desires of Jesus Christ with the attitude, "not my will, but thine be done"

Ezra 7:6 – *This Ezra went up from Babylon; and he was a ready scribe in the law of Moses, which the LORD God of Israel had given: and the king granted him all his request, according to the hand of the LORD his God upon him.*

I Peter 3:15 – *But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear.*

Rejoiceful: Daily delighting in God's Word and thanking Him for every circumstance He allows in my life to draw me closer to Him.

Psalms 19:8 – *The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes.*

Romans 12:12 – *Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer.*

Resourceful: Capable and ready to undertake projects that others would overlook or discard

Exodus 2:3 – *And when she could not longer hide him, she took for him an ark of bulrushes, and daubed it with slime and with pitch, and put the child therein; and she laid it in the flags by the river's brink.*

I Thessalonians 4:11 – *And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you.*

Respectful: A feeling of deep respect and honor mixed with wonder, awe, and love for the person that God is using in my life to produce the character of Christ in me

Deuteronomy 5:16 – *Honour thy father and thy mother, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee; that thy days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with thee, in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.*

I Thessalonians 5:12-13 – *And we beseech you, brethren, to know them which labour among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you; And to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. And be at peace among yourselves.*

Responsible: Knowing and doing what is expected of me without superior authority; trustworthy; dependable; reliable; accountable

Proverbs 6:6-8 – *Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise: which having no guide, overseer, or ruler, provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest.*

Romans 14:12 – *So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.*

Reverent: Developing a submissive, humble spirit to God of honor and respect for His authority over my life

Leviticus 26:2 – *Ye shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I am the LORD.*

Hebrews 12:28 – *Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear.*

Righteous: Living by and being in conformity to all of God's commands in His Word and His daily directions through prayer

Psalms 11:7 – *For the righteous LORD loveth righteousness; his countenance doth behold the upright.*

I John 2:1 – *My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.*

Secure: Building my everyday life on eternal things which cannot fail or be lost

Job 11:18 – *And thou shalt be secure, because there is hope; yea, thou shalt dig about thee, and thou shalt take thy rest in safety.*

II Corinthians 4:18 – *While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.*

Self-Controlled: Ruling my own spirit; instant obedience to the Holy Spirit

Proverbs 25:28 – *He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls.*

I Thessalonians 5:22 – *Abstain from all appearance of evil.*

Sincere: Desiring to do what is right with pure motives

Joshua 24:14 – *Now therefore fear the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in truth: and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the flood, and in Egypt; and serve ye the LORD.*

Philippians 1:10 – *That ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ.*

Steadfast: Firmly fixed on doing God's will and resolving to accomplish it regardless of circumstances or human frailties

Job 11:15 – *For then shalt thou lift up thy face without spot; yea, thou shalt be steadfast, and shalt not fear.*

Hebrews 3:14 – *For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast unto the end.*

Submissive: An inward attitude of yielding to the authority of another

Joshua 1:16 – *And they answered Joshua, saying, All that thou commandest us we will do, and withersoever thou sendest us, we will go.*

Hebrews 13:17 – *Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you.*

Tactful: Saying and doing the right things (discreet), to avoid undesirable consequences in dealing with people

Ecclesiastes 10:12 – *The words of a wise man's mouth are gracious; but the lips of a fool will swallow up himself.*

Colossians 4:6 – *Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.*

Temperate: Not being extreme in any way especially with regard to appetites

Proverbs 23:21 – *For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags.*

Titus 2:12 – *Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world.*

Thorough: Knowing what will reduce the effectiveness of my work if neglected but doing all that should be done to complete it

Ecclesiastes 9:10 – *Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor devise, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.*

James 1:25 – *But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.*

Thrifty: The prudent managing of resources, work, and the regular putting aside of savings

Proverbs 21:20 – *There is treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man spendeth it up.*

Matthew 25:20-21 – *Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more. His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful*

Tolerant: Accepting others and willing to endure their beliefs and actions with which I do not agree

1 Samuel 8:6, 22 – *But the thing displeased Samuel, when they said, Give us a king to judge us. And Samuel prayed unto the LORD . . . And the LORD said to Samuel, Harken unto their voice, and make them a king. . .*

Romans 14:13 – *Let us not therefore judge one another any more: but judge this rather, that no man put a stumblingblock or an occasion to fall in his brother's way.*

Trustworthy: Building wisdom principles in my life that develop greater confidence in the Lord and give others confidence to commit things to my care

Proverbs 3:5, 6 – *Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.*

1 Timothy 1:11 – *According to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, which was committed to my trust.*

Truthful: Earned trust by accurately stating all known information

Proverbs 14:25 – *A true witness delivereth souls: but a deceitful witness speaketh lies.*

Ephesians 4:25 – *Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another.*

Understanding: Possessing God-given discretion to comprehend the spiritual truths of Scripture that lead me to obey its precepts

Proverbs 2:11 – *Discretion shall preserve thee, understanding shall keep thee.*

Colossians 1:9 – *For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding.*

Virtuous: Conforming to and radiating God’s moral principles of purity

Psalm 119:1 – *Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the LORD.*

Philippians 4:8 – *Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.*

Wise: Setting my heart, life, and goals to know God and His Word, recognizing that true wisdom comes from Him

Psalm 19:7 – *The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple.*

Matthew 7:24 – *Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock.*

Zealous: Energized with a passion to really know God and eagerly serve Him by telling others about the Saviour

Numbers 25:13 – *And he shall have it, and his seed after him, even the covenant of an everlasting priesthood; because he was zealous for his God, and made an atonement for the children of Israel.*

Revelation 3:19 – *As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.*

The Bible records these words in II Peter 1:5-8:

And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; and to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Instilling the 90 character traits of Christ into the lives of our students will build Godly character, add to their faith, and make them to be fruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.