

**Discussion Questions for *Personally Evaluating My Faith and Life*
January 3, 2021**

1. What did you enjoy most about Christmas over the past few weeks?
2. Are there any specific “resolutions” you have made as the new year begins? Are you willing to share any of those with the group?
3. What does the phrase “applying all diligence” mean in regard to our faith in Jesus and our spiritual growth?
4. Would you say you have made a sincere and determined effort to grow in your faith over the past year? What type of sincere and determined effort do you need to make over the coming year?
5. Peter lists seven attributes that should characterize each of us as followers of Jesus: moral excellence, knowledge, self-control, perseverance, godliness, brotherly kindness, and love. Which of these attributes do you sense God is urging you to grow in? You might even take time to affirm in one another some of the attributes that are already evident in others in your group.
6. What can make us useless, unfruitful, blind, or short-sighted?
7. Why must we guard against becoming any of these things?
8. What does Peter say in v. 9 is the cause of becoming “blind or short-sighted”? How so?
9. What does it mean to you personally that Jesus has purified you from your former sins?