

Often we stick with a bad plan, or an inappropriate curriculum, because we were taught to finish what we started! Learn to evaluate progress and change direction before it's too late. Apply the Serenity Prayer to your home school, twelve steps and all!

Evaluate

Schedule regular parent-teacher conferences
Never evaluate on a bad day.
Sandwich psychology (II Tim 3:16)
Design goal-oriented multiple-perspective evaluations

Multiple Perspective Evaluations

Goal-oriented
Body, soul, spirit
Soul: Mind, will, emotions

Multiple Perspective Testing

Testing is part of perfecting process
Goals? Body, soul, spirit
Soul: Mind – Include Academics
Will and Emotions – Character

Academic Evaluation

Ridiculous to the sublime
Daily oversight is best
Observational Evaluation
Designer Testing
Standardized Testing
 Placement
 Criterion-referenced or standards-based
 Norm-referenced
Specialized Testing

Serenity

God grant me the **serenity** to accept the things I cannot change;
courage to change the things I can; and **wisdom** to know the difference.

Serene: clear, cloudless, untroubled. Utter calm and unruffled repose or quietude
Dear friends, do not be surprised at the painful trial you are suffering, as though something strange were happening to you. I Peter 4:12 Cloudless skies are unlikely.

What do you want to know?

Summative assessment
Formative assessment

What do you value?

Dx and Rx

Locate source. Diagnose, Prescribe,
REPEAT

Re\$pon\$ible Di\$cernment

Explore options
 Surf Internet
 Interview veterans
 Network locally, nationally, globally
Pray
Experiment

Take *Your* Medicine

Bite the bullet
Stop, Look, Listen
Cross the STREET!

PANIC AND GUILT

A Colorado state leader once said,
*People don't quit home schooling
because they don't know HOW.
They quit because they don't know
WHY...*

In my **HUMBLE** opinion...**WAY** too many home school moms *and* dads suffer an unnatural, unhealthy degree of guilt and condemnation.

II Corinthians 7:10 Godly sorrow? Yes!

Romans 8:1 Condemnation? No!

II Timothy 1:7 Fear, timidity

James 1:5 Wisdom without finding fault

Angst and Anger

Plan A Diagnose, Prescribe, Repeat!

Plan B Panic, Quit, Problem Solved NOT!

What happens when we're stuck?

Never ever ever ever ever give up. Winston Churchill

Never leave you or forsake you. Hebrews 13:5

Comfort and Encouragement

John 16:33 NIV

I Peter 5:7 Amp

Psalm 138:8a

Phil. 1:5-6 NLT

12 Step Program: Walk it out – One day at a time

- 1. *We admitted we were powerless ~~over alcohol~~...that our lives had become unmanageable.*** Romans 7:18 Ephesians 2:8-10
- 2. *Came to believe that Jesus could restore us to sanity.*** II Cor. 12:9 Phil 2:13
- 3. *Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of the Lord Jesus Christ.*** Luke 9:23 I Peter 5:7 Amplified
- 4. *Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.*** Lamentations 3:40
- 5. *Admitted to GOD, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.*** James 5:16
- 6. *Were entirely ready to have GOD remove all these defects of character.*** Isaiah 1:19
- 7. *Humbly asked Him to remove all our shortcomings.*** James 4:10
- 8. *Made a list of all persons we had harmed and became willing to make amends to them all.*** Matthew 5:23, 24
- 9. *Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.*** Luke 6:38
- 10. *Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong, promptly admitted it.*** Romans 12:3
- 11. *Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with GOD as ~~we understood~~ [the Word reveals] Him, praying only for knowledge of His will, and the power to carry that out.*** Psalm 19:14 Col. 3:16 II Peter 3:18
- 12. *Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message ~~to alcoholics~~, and practice these principles in all our affairs.*** Galatians 6:1-2

He tends his flock like a shepherd:

He gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart;

He gently leads those that have young.

Isaiah 40:11