



Title: A Personal Checks and Balances Program

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*“A false balance is abomination to the Lord: but a just weight is his delight.”
(Proverbs 11:14)*

*“Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of
counsellors they are established.” (Proverbs 15:22)*

*“Every purpose is established by counsel: and with good advice make war.”
(Proverbs 20:18)*

*“For by wise counsel thou shalt make thy war: and in multitude of
counsellors there is safety.” (Proverbs 24:6)*

*“Faithful are the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy are
deceitful.” (Proverbs 27:6)*

*“Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.”
(Proverbs 27:17)*

Introduction: _____

1. A Multitude of Counselors

A. Why?

_____ —to help read the
map/Scripture for understanding
_____ —to be a sounding board to
test your ideas
_____ —to separate good from best

B. Who?

An authentic _____ with Christ
An example of what you _____
An experience of many life _____
A knowledge of the Scriptures
A proven _____

C. How?

Not more than _____
At least two, _____ where you live
They can change. They don't determine it—they _____ it

D. When?

When you have a _____ that will change your course

When you have a _____ that you cannot answer

When you have a _____ of two opinions

When you have a major _____ and need help handling it

2. An Accountability Partner

A. Who do you choose? Five questions to ask:

Will you be _____ with them, be _____ with them, and share your _____ with them?

Do you respect them enough to hear their advice? Are they _____ ?

Are they _____ at least once a week to meet with?

Will they tell you the _____, no matter how it lands? Do they challenge you or _____ you?

What do they have to _____ from being your accountability partner? Do they _____ this?

B. When do you meet?

At a comfortable, quiet location that fits both schedules, but, must be at a ____ time

Probably once a _____, but at least once a _____

After a failure, during a _____ and sometimes, after a victory

C. What is the purpose?

To have someone to go to that makes sure you are doing what you are _____ for

To help you keep your _____ by coaching you through your _____

To give an _____ of your actions and motives to _____

Not to be a replacement for _____ responsibility, but a help to it

To have certain questions that are _____ ahead of time that will _____ whether the responsibilities have been taken care of

Conclusion: _____

