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My Solemn Covenant

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I've never written a solemn covenant, so I'm not sure where to start, but one thing I want to mention is that I'm currently in the exploring stage of religion. I understand that I must grow in each aspect of faith socially, emotionally, and spiritually. Personally, I must start going back to church. I'm afraid and nervous to go back because I haven't been back in about two years, so I'm scared of getting judged or having people asking me why I'm going back to church. I've learned through Nyack College that I don't care who judges me because one of my professors taught me that "God is the ultimate judge." The saying helped me a lot. It made me stop judging people because it wasn't my place to do so. I understand that some people say it's not necessary to attend church every Sunday to grow. However, when I use to go to church daily, I was growing intellectually and spiritually because I would learn about the Bible and the Lord. I also used to attend church on Thursdays because that day was specifically for the youth, so the Pastor would preach and teach us. Growing up I didn't enjoy reading so when I saw the size of the Bible; I didn't even give it a chance to read it which is why I enjoyed going to church because, through the church, the Pastor would teach me about God and the stories in the Bible. I had to start reading the Bible for one of my courses last semester, and I realized that what I was reading wasn't so bad instead, it was fascinating to me and that I wanted to keep reading the Bible. So one of my goals is to continue to read

the Bible and to finish it as well. I feel that I was sent to Nyack College to grow socially with people who have a strong faith background. I feel Nyack College has helped me with that aspect because I've become friends with people who are much more passionate about God than I am, and that also wants to see me grow. I've grown emotionally by continuing to step out of my comfort zone concerning religion, for example, volunteering to pray for the class when the professor asks even though I'm not confident in praying. I will also continue to be open-minded about Christianity because I've realized that I'm at Nyack College for a reason, and possibly that reason is to become closer to God.