

Message: Every Born Again Believer In Jesus Must Continually Grow In The Lord.

- I. SPIRITUAL GROWTH IS GOD'S
 PERFECT WILL AND PURPOSE (2 Peter 3:18; Ephesians 2:20-22)
- II. SPIRITUAL GROWTH IS THE PATH
 TO SPIRITUAL MATURITY (Colossians 1:28;
 Ephesians 4:11-15)

III. SPIRITUAL GROWTH MEANS SPIRITUAL STRENGTH

Ephesians 3:16 (NKJV)

¹⁶ that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man,

Ephesians 6:10 (NKJV)

¹⁰ Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.

IV. SPIRITUAL GROWTH ENABLES AND EQUIPS US FOR MINISTRY

Ephesians 4:11-13 (NKJV)

¹¹ And He Himself gave some *to be* apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, ¹² for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, ¹³ till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;

V. SPIRITUAL GROWTH BRINGS THE BLESSINGS OF THE LORD

Psalm 1:1-3 (NKJV)

- Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful;
- ² But his delight *is* in the law of the Lord, And in His law he meditates day and night.
- ³ He shall be like a tree Planted by the rivers of water, That brings forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also shall not wither; And whatever he does shall prosper.

V. SPIRITUAL GROWTH BRINGS THE BLESSINGS OF THE LORD

James 1:25 (NKJV)

²⁵ But he who looks into the perfect law of liberty and continues *in it,* and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer of the work, this one will be blessed in what he does.