

GROW UP! 2 Peter 3:18

Message: It Is Possible For Every Believer In Jesus To Spiritually Grow At A Good Fast Pace.

- I. TO GROW SPIRITUALLY, WE MUST HAVE A **DESIRE TO GROW** (1 Peter 2:2; Matthew 5:6)
- II. TO GROW SPIRITUALLY, WE MUST BE **RECEIVING GOD'S WORD** (Ephesians 4:11-13)
- III. TO GROW SPIRITUALLY, WE MUST BE PRAYING (1 Thessalonians 5:17; Ephesians 6:18)
- IV. TO GROW SPIRITUALLY, WE MUST GO REGULARLY AND FREQUENTLY TO CHURCH (1 Corinthians 11:20; Hebrews10:25)
- V. TO GROW SPIRITUALLY, WE MUST VERBALLY WITNESS FOR CHRIST (Romans 1:6; 2 Corinthians 5:18; Romans 10:14)

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VI. TO GROW SPIRITUALLY, WE MUST CONTINUALLY SERVE THE LORD

1 Corinthians 15:58 (NKJV)

⁵⁸ Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

1 Peter 4:10-11 (NKJV)

- ¹⁰ As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.
- ¹¹ If anyone speaks, *let him speak* as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, *let him do it* as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Romans 12:11(NKJV)

¹¹ not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord;

GOD'S GRACE IS GOD'S POWERFUL **RELEASE OF HIS** LOVING **PRESENCE!**

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VII. TO GROW SPIRITUALLY, WE MUST **WALK IN OBEDIENCE**

James 4:7 (NKJV)

⁷ Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.

James 1:22-26 (NKJV)

²² But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.

- ²³ For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man observing his natural face in a mirror;
- ²⁴ for he observes himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of man he was.
- 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.
- ²⁶ If anyone among you thinks he is religious, and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this one's religion is useless.



VIII. TO GROW SPIRITUALLY, WE MUST CONTINUALLY DEAL WITH SIN

Proverbs 28:13 (NKJV)

¹³ He who covers his sins will not prosper,But whoever confesses and forsakes *them* will have mercy.

1 John 1:9 (NKJV)

⁹ If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.