

## **GOD'S GRACE DESIGN FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH** (How Do You Spiritually Grow?)

### **I. The EXHORTATIONS to Spiritual Growth**

- A. Spiritual growth involves growing in \_\_\_\_\_ and in the \_\_\_\_\_ of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. (2 Peter 3:18)
  
- B. Spiritual growth is God's \_\_\_\_\_ for you. (1 Peter 2:2)

\* What does this imply?

### **II. The CLARIFICATIONS about Spiritual Growth**

- A. Spiritual growth must be preceded by a spiritual \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Peter 1:18-2:2)
  
- B. Spiritual growth does not affect your \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ, but your daily spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ and walk with Christ. (1 Corinthians 3:1-4)
  
- C. Spiritual growth has 3 stages. (1 John 2:12-14)

\* What is true of all believers regardless of what stage of growth they are at? (vs. 12)

- 1. It eventually results in \_\_\_\_\_... "fathers."

\* What is true of this stage?

- 2. It involves becoming a spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.

\* What is true of this stage?

- 3. It begins with being a \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ.

\* What is true of this stage?

### III. The INGREDIENTS for Spiritual Growth

Spiritual growth requires...

A. \_\_\_\_\_ . (Hebrews 5:12)

\* Why is this important to acknowledge?

B. \_\_\_\_\_ . (Hebrews 5:12-13; 2 Timothy 3:16-17)

\* What does this require? (2 Timothy 2:15; Hebrews 10:24-25)

C. \_\_\_\_\_ . (1 Corinthians 2:12; Ephesians 4:11-16)

\* Why is this important to acknowledge?

D. \_\_\_\_\_ . (James 1:2-4)

\* How are these to be responded to?

E. \_\_\_\_\_ . (Hebrews 4:1-2, 9-11, 5:14)

\* Why is this necessary? (Hebrews 11:6)

\* What's your responsibility in all this?

### IV. The GOAL of Spiritual Growth (Romans 8:28-29)

The reasons God works "all things for good" are...

A. to \_\_\_\_\_ you into the \_\_\_\_\_.

B. to cause Jesus Christ to have the \_\_\_\_\_ and glory.