

“GOD’S GRACE DESIGN FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH” **(How Do You Spiritually Grow?)**

The EXHORTATIONS to Spiritual Growth

1. Spiritual growth involves growing in _____ and in the _____ of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. (2 Peter 3:18)

2. Spiritual growth is God’s _____ for you. (1 Peter 2:2)

* What does this imply?

The CLARIFICATIONS About Spiritual Growth

1. Spiritual growth must be preceded by a spiritual _____. (1 Peter 1:18-2:2)

2. Spiritual growth does not affect your _____ in Christ, but your daily spiritual _____ and walk with Christ. (1 Corinthians 3:1-4)

3. 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)

- a. It eventually results in _____... “fathers.”

* What is true of this stage?

- b. It involves becoming a spiritual _____.

* What is true of this stage?

- c. It begins with being a _____ in Christ.

* What is true of this stage?

The INGREDIENTS for Spiritual Growth

Spiritual growth requires...

1. _____ . (Hebrews 5:12)

* Why is this important to acknowledge?

2. _____ . (Hebrews 5:12-13; 2 Timothy 3:16-17)

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

3. _____ . (1 Corinthians 2:12; Ephesians 4:11-16)

* Why is this important to acknowledge?

4. _____ . (James 1:2-4)

* How are these to be responded to?

5. _____ . (Hebrews 4:1-2, 9-11, 5:14)

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

* What's your responsibility in all this?

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

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

1. to _____ you into the _____.

2. to cause Jesus Christ to have the _____ and glory.