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Why Church? Because God Wants Us to Grow

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God wants us to grow

Ephesians 4:14-16 (The Message, MSG)

14-16 No prolonged infancies among us, please. We'll not tolerate babes in the woods, small children who are an easy mark for impostors. **God wants us to grow up**, to know the whole truth and tell it in love—like Christ in everything. We take our lead from Christ, who is the source of everything we do. He keeps us in step with each other. His very breath and blood flow through us, nourishing us so that we will grow up healthy in God, robust in love.

God wants us to grow

- **willfully**
- **skillfully**
- **thankfully**
- **thoughtfully/truthfully/soberly**
- **wisely**
- **faithfully**
- **patiently**
- **lovingly**
- **strongly**
- **prayerfully**
- **supernaturally**

God wants us to grow: Willfully

Hebrews 10:24-26 (Amplified Bible, AMP)

24 And let us consider and give attentive, continuous care to watching over one another, studying

how we may stir up (stimulate and incite) to love and helpful deeds and noble activities, 25 Not forsaking or neglecting to assemble together [as believers], as is the habit of some people, but admonishing (warning, urging, and encouraging) one another, and all the more faithfully as you see the day approaching. 26 For **if we go on deliberately and willingly sinning after once acquiring the knowledge of the Truth**, there is no longer any sacrifice left to atone for [our] sins [no further offering to which to look forward].

Romans 12:1-2 (AMP)

1 I appeal to you therefore, brethren, and beg of you in view of [all] the mercies of God, to make a decisive dedication of your bodies [presenting all your members and faculties] as a living sacrifice, holy (devoted, consecrated) and well pleasing to God, which is your reasonable (rational, intelligent) service and spiritual worship. 2 Do not be conformed to this world (this age), [fashioned after and adapted to its external, superficial customs], but be transformed (changed) by the [entire] renewal of your mind [by its new ideals and its new attitude], so that you may prove [for yourselves] what is the good and acceptable and **perfect will of God**, even the thing which is good and acceptable and perfect [in His sight for you].

God wants us to grow: Skillfully

2 Timothy 2:15 (AMP)

15 Study and be eager and do your utmost to present yourself to God approved (tested by trial), a workman who has no cause to be ashamed, correctly analyzing and accurately dividing [rightly handling and skillfully teaching] the Word of Truth.

God wants us to grow: Thankfully

1 Thessalonians 5:18 (AMP)

18 Thank [God] in everything [no matter what the circumstances may be, be thankful and give thanks], for this is the will of God for you [who are] in Christ Jesus [the Revealer and Mediator of that will].

God wants us to grow: Thoughtfully/truthfully/soberly

Romans 12:3 (AMP)

3 For by the grace (unmerited favor of God) given to me I warn everyone among you not to estimate and think of himself more highly than he ought [not to have an exaggerated opinion of his own importance], but to rate his ability with sober judgment, each according to the degree of faith apportioned by God to him.

God wants us to grow: Wisely

Proverbs 4:7 (Living Bible, TLB)

7 Getting wisdom is the most important thing you can do! And with your wisdom, develop common sense and good judgment.

James 1:5 (New International Version, NIV)

5 If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault,

and it will be given to you.

God wants us to grow: Faithfully

Romans 10:17 (New King James Version, NKJV)

17 So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

2 Corinthians 5:7 (NKJV)

7 For we walk by faith, not by sight.

God wants us to grow: Patiently

James 1:3-4 (NKJV)

3 knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. 4 But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.

Romans 5:3-4 (AMP)

3 Moreover [let us also be full of joy now!] let us exult and triumph in our troubles and rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that pressure and affliction and hardship produce patient and unswerving endurance. 4 And endurance (fortitude) develops maturity of character (approved faith and tried integrity). And character [of this sort] produces [the habit of] joyful and confident hope of eternal salvation.

God wants us to grow: Lovingly

Mark 11:25 (AMP)

25 And whenever you stand praying, if you have anything against anyone, forgive him and let it drop (leave it, let it go), in order that your Father Who is in heaven may also forgive you your [own] failings and shortcomings and let them drop.

John 13:34-35 (AMP)

34 I give you a new commandment: that you should love one another. Just as I have loved you, so you too should love one another. 35 By this shall all [men] know that you are My disciples, if you love one another [if you keep on showing love among yourselves].

God wants us to grow: Strongly

Isaiah 40:31 (AMP)

31 But those who wait for the Lord [who expect, look for, and hope in Him] shall change and renew their strength and power; they shall lift their wings and mount up [close to God] as eagles [mount up to the sun]; they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint or become tired.

Philippians 4:13 (AMP)

13 I have strength for all things in Christ Who empowers me [I am ready for anything and equal to anything through Him Who infuses inner strength into me; I am self-sufficient in Christ's sufficiency].

God wants us to grow: Prayerfully

James 1:5-8 (MSG)

5-8 If you don't know what you're doing, pray to the Father. He loves to help. You'll get his help, and won't be condescended to when you ask for it. Ask boldly, believingly, without a second thought. People who "worry their prayers" are like wind-whipped waves. Don't think you're going to get anything from the Master that way, adrift at sea, keeping all your options open.

God wants us to grow: Super-Naturally

John 14:11-13 (AMP)

11 Believe Me that I am in the Father and the Father in Me; or else believe Me for the sake of the [very] works themselves. [If you cannot trust Me, at least let these works that I do in My Father's name convince you.] 12 **I assure you, most solemnly I tell you, if anyone steadfastly believes in Me, he will himself be able to do the things that I do; and he will do even greater things than these, because I go to the Father.** 13 And I will do [I Myself will grant] whatever you ask in My Name [as presenting all that I Am], so that the Father may be glorified and extolled in (through) the Son.