



# **Day 4: The Urgency of Spiritual Growth**

**Know it!**

**2 Peter 3:17-18**

**You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, take care that you are not carried away with the error of lawless people and lose your own stability. But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.**

**Hebrews 5:12-14**

**For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic principles of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food, for everyone who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, since he is a child. But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil.**

**2 Timothy 3:16-17**

**All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.**

**Peter warns us to be on guard against false teaching and encourages us to "grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ" (2 Peter 3:18). The**

author of Hebrews similarly urges believers to move beyond spiritual infancy to maturity. In a world full of competing ideologies, our spiritual growth is not just personal – it's a matter of spiritual survival and effectiveness in God's kingdom. Today, assess your spiritual diet. Are you consistently feeding on God's Word and growing in understanding?

Scripture is our foundation for understanding and sharing our faith. Paul tells Timothy that all Scripture is "God-breathed" and useful for teaching and training in righteousness. As you meditate on these verses, consider how God's Word has transformed your own life.

Live it! Share it!

- Identify one area where you can deepen your knowledge of Scripture or Christian doctrine.
- Make a plan to study this area, asking God to increase your hunger for His truth. How can you allow it to shape your worldview and your interactions with others continually?
- Commit to regularly studying and applying Scripture, allowing it to be a "living and active" force in your life and your apologetics.

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