

40 *days of* Prayer

Week 1:
Do You Really Want to Grow Up?

"We are not meant to remain as children at the mercy of every chance wind of teaching...Instead we are meant to hold firmly to the truth in love, and to grow up in every way into Christ...."

Ephesians 4:14

Phillips

WE GROW WHEN WE

1. FEED ON GOD'S WORD



“People need more than bread for their life;
they must feed on every Word of God.”

“Man shall not live by bread alone, but
by every word that proceedeth out of
the mouth of God”. KJV

Matthew 4:4

New Living Translation

"... the Word of grace is able to build you up and give you all the blessings that God has for His people."



Acts 20:32

ACTION STEP:
A DAILY TIME WITH GOD FOR 40 DAYS

WE GROW WHEN WE

2. DEVELOP SPIRITUAL HABITS



“Now that you know these things, you’ll be blessed if you practice them!”



John 13:17

“Solid food is for mature people, whose minds have been trained by practice to know the difference between good and evil.”



Hebrews 5:14

God's Word

"All good athletes train hard and practice to get better. They do it to win a prize that won't last. But we practice to win a prize that will last forever!"



1 Corinthians 9:25

"Every day the believers had the habit of meeting together in the temple courts (to worship together) and also in their homes (for fellowship). They ate together and celebrated with happy and thankful hearts."



Acts 2:46-47

“...They praised God and the whole community liked what they saw in these people. As a result, the Lord added to their groups daily as their neighbors were being saved.”



Acts 2:46-47

“Always remember what is written in this Book. Read it and think about it every day and be sure to obey everything written in it. If you do this, you will be prosperous and successful in your life.”



Joshua 1:8

WE GROW WHEN WE

3. HELP EACH OTHER GROW



"I want us to help each other with the faith we have. Your faith will help me, and my faith will help you."



Romans 1:12

New Century Version

"Let us be concerned for one another, to help one another to show love and to do good. Let us not give up the habit of meeting together, as some are doing. Instead, let us encourage one another all the more..."



Hebrews 10:24-25

Today's English Version

ACTION STEP:
JOIN A SMALL GROUP

WE GROW WHEN WE

4. EXPECT TO GROW



WE GROW WHEN WE

5. COMMIT TO GROW



"You'll find me when you get serious about finding me and want it more than anything else..."



Jeremiah 29:13

The Message

ACTION STEP:
COVENANT WITH OTHERS

"Our greatest wish and prayer is that you will become mature Christians."



2 Corinthians 13:9

The Living Bible