

## Daily Devotions: Growth

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October                      2 Peter 1:1-11 and 2 Peter 3:18

Questions:     *Imagine God as a mega power generator.*

*Where will he want to focus his power in your life (2 Peter 1:3-4)?*

*Does this mean there is nothing for us to do (vs 5-9)?*

*In which of the qualities listed in vs 5-7 have you made the most progress? Write down or share one encouraging, practical example of your growth.*

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October                      Leviticus 19:1-19 and 1 Peter 1:13-16

The New Testament teaches that some Old Testament rules and regulations still apply, but others have been made obsolete by Jesus.

The underlying principle continues, however: we are to be holy because God is holy.

Questions:     *What is the main reason God gives us for striving to be holy (Lev 19: 2, 3, 4, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18)? What does Peter suggest we need to do to prepare ourselves to grow in holiness? What is one evil habit you would like to break free from?*

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October                  Deuteronomy 6:1-9, 2 Tim 3:14-16

Questions:     *When does God say is the best time to teach and apply his word to our lives and to the lives of our children (Deut 6:6-9)? How do you do that in practice? Think of a recent time when you were rebuked, corrected or trained in righteousness by the Bible. Share this with a Christian friend or family member today.*

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October                      Romans 12:1-3

Questions:     *Why is the word "therefore" important? What pressures and people have been most influential in squeezing you into the pattern of this world? How are you now nourishing "the renewing of your mind"?*

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Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October

Philippians 1:9-11

In any relationship, love and knowledge grow together. When we know what others need and prefer, we can fine-tune our choices and responses towards them. Mere love becomes informed love.

This is certainly true of our relationship with God.

Questions: *According to Paul in this passage, who gets the credit when your "informed love" deepens? Who do you know to be regularly praying for your Christian growth? Touch base with them today.*

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October

Galatians 5:16-26

In these verses there are only two ways to live. We get to choose where we go from this moment on.

Questions: *What challenges you in this passage? What encourages you? Reframe this as a prayer.*

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November

Galatians 6:1-5

Paul introduces this passage by saying we need to look after others and look out for ourselves.

In Gal 5:16-26 "spiritual" ones are those who live by the Spirit, are led by the Spirit, and keep in step with the Spirit (ie all true Christians!)

Questions: *Whom do you need to seek to restore gently? Who has carried your burdens in this particular way? Thank God for the second group, and pray for the first.*