

11. The starting point for spiritual growth is to make sure you have what?
12. There can be no growth unless there has been a new what?
13. Do you know Christ? Have you received Him? Do you have a relationship with Him? Are you alive spiritually?
14. If a plant is alive and healthy, it will do what?
15. You can add to something which is lifeless, but you cannot make something which lacks life do what?
16. The very fact that it is called growth implies that it is not something that is what?
17. Spiritual growth is a process, not what?
18. We can't do what?
19. What is the obvious key concept in John 15:1-11?
20. The point Jesus is making in John 15:1-11 is that He is the source of what?
21. It's not the fruit you need to concentrate on, it's what?
22. The purpose of Bible study, memorization, prayer, etc. is not to produce fruit but to do what?
23. So if we can't make ourselves grow, does that mean that we are passive and have no responsibility in our growth?
24. What is the first "Element of Spiritual Growth" given?
25. You will not grow if you do not feed on what?
26. What is the second "Element of Spiritual Growth"?
27. Where does John warn us about taking in and feeding on the wrong things in life?
28. This world appeals to our what?
29. Our world constantly tells us that the pursuit of things is the path to what?
30. The pride of life appeals to our ego and our desire for what?
31. What is the third "Element of Spiritual Growth"?
32. If we don't apply what we learn and put into practice what we learn, reading your Bible isn't going to do what?
33. The problem being addressed in Hebrews 5:12-14 is not a lack of what?
34. What is the third "Element of Spiritual Growth"?
35. Is your life frantic? Are you constantly worrying about things you can't control? Are you often in a state of anxiety?
36. What is the fifth "Element of Spiritual Growth"?
37. We are to discipline ourselves for the purpose of what?
38. What is the first false evidence of spiritual growth?

39. What is the second false evidence of spiritual growth?
40. What is the first valid evidence of spiritual growth?
41. What is the second valid evidence of spiritual growth? 42. Can you discern truth from error in doctrine?
43. What is the third valid evidence of spiritual growth?
44. What church was immature because the people were enamored with that which was entertaining, spectacular and exciting?
45. The church in Corinth was more interested in Paul's appearance than they were what?
46. What is the fourth evidence of spiritual growth?
47. Are you growing spiritually? Does the evidence of your life back up that claim?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- How can I accomplish this change?
- What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

#### FOR EXTRA CREDIT ☺

1. This week read Genesis 1-3 and Revelation 20-22
2. What are some things you note about life before sin?
3. How would you describe life after sin?

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## The Process of Spiritual Growth

### Selected Scripture

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon **"The Process of Spiritual Growth"**. All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. Peter's theme in life and the theme of the New Testament is that we are exhorted to grow in what?
2. According to 2 Corinthians 7:1, we are to perfect holiness in the what?
3. According to Hebrews 12:14, without holiness, no one will do what?
4. What two chapters in the Bible tells us to put off the traits of the old man and put on the qualities of the new man?
5. Another term for spiritual growth is what biblical/theological term?
6. The word "sanctification" or "sanctified" means what?
7. To be sanctified is to be set apart from sin and set apart to do what?
8. Is Hebrews 10:10 a reference to progressive sanctification or positional sanctification?
9. The phrase, "we have been perfected forever" is a reference to what kind of sanctification?
10. For by one offering God has perfected forever those who are being what?