

THE GROWTH CHOICE

Life's Healing Choices
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I reserve a daily time with God for Bible reading, self-examination, and prayer in order to know God and his will for my life and to gain the power to follow his will.

"Continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."
2 Peter 3:18 (GNT)

HOW TO CONTINUE GROWING

1. "And now, dear children, remain in fellowship with Christ." 1 John 2:28 (NLT)
"Everyone who lives in union with Christ does not continue to sin."
1 John 3:6 (GNT)

"Continue praying, keeping alert, and always thanking God."
Colossians 4:2 (NCV)

2. "The truly happy people are those who carefully study God's perfect law that makes people free, and they continue to study it. They do not forget what they heard, but they obey what God's teaching says." James 1:25 (NCV)
"If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8:31-32 (KJV)

3. "I do not mean that I am already as God wants me to be. I have not yet reached that goal, but I continue trying to reach it and to make it mine. Christ wants me to do that, which is the reason he made me his." Philippians 3:12 (NCV)
"No . . . I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us."
Philippians 3:13-14 (NLT)

4. "Let us examine our ways and test them, and let us return to the LORD."
Laminations 3:40 (NIV)

"If we would examine ourselves, we would not be judged by God in this way."
1 Corinthians 11:31 (NLT)

5. "Be alert. Continue strong in the faith. Have courage, and be strong."
1 Corinthians 16:13 (NCV)

"Do not be fooled. 'Bad companions ruin good character.'"
1 Corinthians 15:33 (GNT)

6. "We are confident that [God] will continue to rescue us, since you are also joining to help us when you pray for us." 2 Corinthians 1:10 (GW)

"We should not stop gathering together with other believers, as some of you are doing. Instead, we must continue to encourage each other." Hebrews 10:25 (GW)

7. "I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns."
Philippians 1:6 (NLT)

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