

## CHRISTIAN GROWTH PART III

It's obvious if you want anything to grow, whether its plant or animal it must be fed. So we will complete the christian growth process by feeding you the last three elements. An they are **worship, service, and stewardship.**

### I. Worship

**\_Prepare to worship:** Go unto to the people, and sanctify them today and tomorrow, and let them wash their clothes. And be ready against the third day, for the third day the Lord will come down in the sight of all the people upon mount Sinai Exodus 19:10-11. God requires that we prepare ourselves for worship.

**\_Encourage others :** Forsake not the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is, but exhorting one another, and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching Heb. 10:25. Encourage others to worship.

**\_God does not like strange worship:** And Nadab and Abihu the sons of Aaron, took either of them his censer, and put fire therein and put incense thereon, and offered strange fire before the Lord, which he commanded them not. And there went out fire from the Lord, and devoured them, and they died before the Lord Lev. 10:1-2. God dislikes strange worship.

**\_True worship:** God is a spirit, and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth Jn 4:24.

### II. Service

**\_Can't serve two:** No man can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one, and love the other, or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon Matt. 6:24. You have to make up your mind to serve the Lord.

**\_Set free:** Certainly I will be with thee, and this shall be a token unto thee, that I have sent thee; When thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this moutain. Exodus 3:12 We should serve God because he has set us free from the bondage of sin.

**\_Choose to serve:** And if it seem evil unto you to serve the Lord, choose you this day whom ye will serve, whether the gods which you fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ye dwell, but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord Joshua 24:15. Choose to serve the Lord because of the good things that he has done.

**\_How to serve:** Now therefore fear the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in truth Joshua 24:14.

### III. Stewardship

\_ **God's property:** The earth is the Lord's and fulness thereof, the world, and they that dwell therein Ps 24. This all belongs to God.

\_ **It's not ours:** And he said, This will I do, I will pull down my barns, and build greater, and there will I be stow all my fruits and my goods. But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee Luke 12:18-20. Don't become obsessed with it, because its not yours.

\_ **Take care of what God has given us:** And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying , Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents, behold, I have gained beside them five talents more. His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant Matt. 25:20-21. Be faithful over what the Lord has given us.

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