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My Spiritual Growth is Up to ME
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But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. 2 Peter 3:18 (NIV)

We will grow up completely in our relationship to Christ. Eph. 4:15

So that we may present everyone complete and mature in Christ. Colossians 1:28.

For physical training is of some value, but godliness (spiritual training) is of value in everything and in every way, since it holds promise for the present life and for the life to come. 1 Timothy 4:8.

How do I put myself in position to grow spiritually?

"Remain in Me, and I will remain in you. Just as no branch can bear fruit by itself unless it remains in the vine, neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in Me." -Jesus, John 15:4

Open my life to God in my day-to-day

Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering. Romans 12:1-2 (The Message)

Draw close to God daily.

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you abide in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing." -Jesus, John 15:5

Stay on the main road.

I want to know Christ--yes, to know the power of his resurrection. Philippians 3:10



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Get others around you.

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching. Hebrews 10:24-25 (NIV)

Believe what you can become.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Galatians 5:22-23

Talk it Over! For my thoughts and LifeGroup*

How would you describe spiritual growth to someone who is a brand-new Christ follower?

What has been the most helpful advice given to you in your growth? Why has it been so helpful?

Read John 15:1-17. What stands out to you? What are some spiritual growth principles you find there?

What is your strong (or weak) area in your spiritual growth (example: getting off the main road, or daily reading, etc.)?

How can this group help you grow more?

*A LifeGroup is a group of people who are committed to loving each other and growing through times like these. For more information, connect with Pastor Len at len@marinerscc.org