



ARE YOU STILL GROWING?

10 Questions To Ask To Make Sure You're Still Growing in Your Faith:

1. Are you more thirsty for God than ever before?

Psalm 42:1 "As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O God." Is your soul thirsty for the Lord? Do you long to see Him face to face?

2. Are you more and more loving?

1 John 4:7 "Let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God." Can you recall recent instances of Christ-like love in your life? Have there been occasions when you've sacrificed your own preferences, plans, or rights for those of others?

3. Are you more sensitive to and aware of God than ever before?

Romans 6:11 "Alive to God in Christ Jesus..." Does the Holy Spirit frequently bring thoughts of God and the things of God spontaneously to your mind?

4. Are you governed more and more by God's Word?

2 Timothy 3:16-17 "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work." Can you point to specific ways the Word of God has been doing this in your life during the past months?

5. Are you concerned more and more with the physical and spiritual needs of others?

Luke 9:11 "He welcomed them and spoke to them about the kingdom of God, and healed those who needed healing." How have you been demonstrating a concern for the physical and spiritual needs of others?

6. Are you more and more concerned with the Church and the Kingdom of God?

Ephesians 5:25 “Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her.” The more we grow to become like Jesus, the more we will love His Church, too.

7. Are the disciplines of the Christian life more and more important to you?

1 Timothy 4:7 “discipline [ourselves] for the purpose of godliness.” Are you placing yourself in the channels of grace such as the intake of God’s Word, prayer, worship, service, evangelism, silence, solitude, journaling, learning, fasting and so on?

8. Are you more and more aware of your sin?

1 Timothy 1:15 Paul described himself as the worst sinner in the world. The closer you get to Jesus, the more aware you become of your sin and how unlike Him you are.

9. Are you more and more willing to forgive others?

Ephesians 4:32 exhorts us to forgive each other “just as in Christ God forgave you.” Have you forgiven any longtime hurts during the past year?

10. Are you thinking more and more of heaven and of being with the Lord Jesus?

Philippians 1:23-24 “I am torn between the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far; but it is more necessary for you that I remain in the body.” One of the signs of becoming more like Jesus is increasing wanting to be where He is.

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