

Rating Your Spiritual Growth

Ephesians 4:11-16

Introduction

- **God's desire for growth.**
 - God desires the members of the body of Christ to grow. *Eph 4:11-16*
 - Such growth only takes place when we work to grow.
 - However, we must continue to examine our progress to make certain we are growing.
 - In this lesson we will consider four areas.

Measuring Your Growth

- **Growth in the area of Bible knowledge.**
 - New converts begin with the milk of the word. *1 Pet 1:22-23; 1 Pet 2:1-2*
 - Seek to grow. *1 Cor. 3:1-4*
 - Maturity will come with growth. *Heb 5:12-14; 2 Tim 2:15*
 - On a scale of 1 to 10, how would you rate your growth in Bible knowledge and understanding?

Measuring Your Growth

- **Growth in the area of overcoming sin.**
 - Understanding how sin develops. *James 1:12-15*
 - God wants you to overcome sin.
 - You are to watch. *1 Pet 5:8-9*
 - You are to resist. *James 4:7*
 - You can escape. *1 Cor 10:13*

Measuring Your Growth

- **Growth in the area of overcoming sin.**
 - Understanding how sin develops. *James 1:12-15*
 - God wants you to overcome sin.
 - If you do sin, then confess your sin to God. *1 John 1:7-2:2*
 - On a scale of 1 to 10, how would you rate your overall efforts in overcoming temptations?

Measuring Your Growth

- **Growth in treatment of fellow brethren.**
 - Longsuffering towards other. *Col. 3:12-14*
 - Bearing with one another. *Eph 4:1-3*
 - Be like-minded. *Phil 2:1-4*
 - Sincere love for one another. *Rom 12:9-21*
 - On a scale of 1 to 10, how would you rate your willingness to be longsuffering?

Measuring Your Growth

- **Growth in the area patience.**
 - Patience in serving God. *James 1:2-4*
 - God will not overlook your faith and patience. *Heb 6:10-12*
 - In need of endurance. *Heb 10:35-39*
 - On a scale of 1 to 10, how would you rate your patience in serving the Lord?