

Devotional: Growing In God

Children's Devotion on growing in the likeness of Christ

Read: Luke 2:41-52 (NKJV)

And Jesus matured, growing up in both body and spirit, blessed by both God and people (v:52).

Jesus was growing in God. Even at the age of 12, He was beyond His years. They were all amazed and marvelled at Jesus' understanding of the things of God. By His reply in V: 49, He already knew who His Father was, though Mary & Joseph did not understand what He meant about being in His Father's House and tending to His Father's business. We too need to be attending to our Father God's business in order to really grow into Jesus' likeness. As we keep in God's word and prayer, going to church & Sunday school, we grow in God. We have a daily relationship with God, just like we do with our Parents, sisters/brothers, or friends. We cannot get to know family or friends if we don't spend time with them—listening to them. It is the same with God. We need to spend time with Him to get to know Him—and by getting to know God, we grow closer to Him and grow as a Christian.

So, why not today, spend time with your best friend – Jesus!

But the godly will flourish like palm trees and grow strong like the cedars of Lebanon. For they are transplanted to the Lord's own house. They flourish in the courts of our God. Even in old age they will still produce fruit; they will remain vital and green. - Psalm 92:12-14 (NLT)

I pray you'll help me grow each day
In your likeness more and more,
For when I spend more time with you,
I'll become like you, my Lord.

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