

COME AND SEE

A 20/20 Vision for 2020

Ephesians 4:11-16

The key to 2020 being the best year of your life is this: your **spiritual growth**.
Spiritual growth is not an **option** for a follower of Jesus; it is an **expectation**!

Spiritual Growth Has A **Process**

Now these are the gifts Christ gave to the **church**: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers. Their responsibility is to **equip** God's people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ. This will **continue** until we all come to such unity in our faith and knowledge of God's Son that we will be **mature** in the Lord, **measuring up** to the **full and complete** standard of Christ. (Ephesians 4:11-13, NLT)

Our responsibility is taking the next steps.

Practical Questions

Are you in the **process**?

Are you in the **same place** you were one year ago?

What is **the one area** of your life that you know **God is calling you** to grow?

Spiritual Growth Has A **Danger**

Then we will no longer be **immature** like children. We won't be **tossed** and **blown about** by every wind of new teaching. We will not be **influenced** when people try to **trick** us with lies so clever they sound like the truth. (Ephesians 4:14, NLT)

Our hazard is standing still.

That area of your life where you are **standing still** spiritually is the area of your greatest **danger**.

That area where you see **spiritual immaturity** in your life is the area where you are going to see **sin** in your life.

Practical Questions

What **priorities** in my life need to change?

What **excuses** need to go?

Spiritual Growth Has A **Promise**

Instead, we will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more **like Christ**, who is the head of his body, the church. (Ephesians 4:15, NLT)

Our benefit is becoming like Jesus.

- 1) Jesus was always **pursuing** his Heavenly Father.
- 2) Jesus was always **receiving** from His Heavenly Father.
- 3) Jesus was always **submitting** to His Heavenly Father.