

## Growing Up Spiritually

October 10, 2021

(Vision and Values – Part 8)

*“Gold Coast exists to build a community which proclaims the gospel of Jesus by loving people into the Kingdom of God, training disciples to make disciples, **growing people into spiritual maturity**, and transforming our world through personal renewal.”*

The goal of spiritual growth: To become \_\_\_\_\_, like \_\_\_\_\_

It's not about how much we know; it's about how much we \_\_\_\_\_

It starts with obeying what we \_\_\_\_\_

It's a never-ending \_\_\_\_\_

The stages of spiritual growth:

D \_\_\_\_\_

I \_\_\_\_\_

Child

Young \_\_\_\_\_

P \_\_\_\_\_

The Ingredients of Spiritual Growth:

Truth: \_\_\_\_\_

Trouble: \_\_\_\_\_ situations

Team: God's \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What's your next step?

## Life Group Questions for the Week of October 10, 2021

1. Looking back at your notes from this Sunday's message, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?
2. Because the epitome of spiritual maturity is Jesus (what he thinks/knows, how he behaves, what he prioritizes and pursues, etc.), spiritual growth is a never-ending process. Is that encouraging or discouraging to you? Why or why not?
3. God's ultimate goal for our lives on earth is not comfort, but character development. How does that strike you? What problem, challenge, difficulty, trial in your life has caused the greatest spiritual growth?
4. In terms of the different stages of spiritual growth we talked about on Sunday, which stage do you think the majority of Christians in America are in today? Why?
5. We looked at some of the main ingredients God uses in growing people to spiritual maturity (God's Word, difficult circumstances, other Christians and time.) Which of these do you believe God has used/uses in your life the most to grow you? Why? Which of these do you believe you need to lean into more in the future? Why?
6. We saw Sunday it isn't about how much we know but about how much we obey. Do you agree with that? Why or why not? Are there other things that indicate someone is growing in their relationship with the Lord and is maturing?
7. What changes do you need to make to grow more spiritually? What's your next step in developing spiritual maturity?