

# Growing in the Likeness of Christ

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Sanctification is a progressive work of God and man that makes us more and more free from sin and like Christ in our actual lives.

1. Our spiritual growth has a definite beginning—when we're born again. Romans 6:11-14
2. Our spiritual growth is an on-going process throughout life. Romans 6:16; 2 Corinthians 3:18; Colossians 3:10
3. Our spiritual growth is completed at death. Rom. 6:12-13; 1 John 1:8; Philipians 2:13; 1 Thessalonians 5:23

God and man cooperate in sanctification.

Heb. 12:1, 14; Ja. 1:22; 1 Peter 1:5; Phil. 3:13-14; Col. 3:5; Gal. 5:16

Our work is to fight, to run the race, to pursue holiness.

We need to assess our growth as a Christian.

Theology is no good apart from application.

## NUTS & BOLTS

1. Personal Devotion Time.  
Example: \* Prayer \* Worship \* Meditating on God's Word.  
\* Be Creative \* Be Consistent \* Ask the secret, hard questions
2. Community (it's Relationship) Hebrews 10:24-25
3. Serving (Christ and Others)

## THE CHARGE

Make the proper steps to allow space for Him to move.

### Key Take Away

As we grow in sanctification, we grow in conformity to the image of Christ... resulting in more and more of the beauty of His character being seen in our own lives.