

Bible Study
I WILL - Lesson 9
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Growing Together In Bible Study
Isaiah 28: 23-26

Continuing on the subject that Pastor has been teaching on for the last month, our “growth” “together” as Christians: Growing together with others; Growing together in fellowship; Growing together in Ministry; and our lesson tonight growing together in Bible study.

The main message in all of these lessons is that as Christian we need to, we have to, grow together.

The army first used the motto “leave no man behind” and it was later adopted by nearly all the military Special Forces. We as Christians, the body of Christ, must attempt to leave no man behind.

What does the Bible say about growing together in Christ?

- 1) 2 Peter 3:18 say “But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.”
- 2) Ephesians 4: 15, 16 “Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part (all of us together) is working properly, makes the body (the whole body) grow so that it builds itself up in love.”
- 3) 3) 1 Peter 2:2 says “Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation”

If we grow in our Christian walk, in our relationship with God, together with others, together in fellowship, together in ministry, and together in Bible study, then the church itself will grow and the Kingdom of God will grow, together.

Peter Scazzero in his book Emotionally Healthy Spirituality says that though he had been a Christian for 22 years “instead of being a twenty-two year old Christian, he was a one year old Christian twenty-two time” as there was no growth in his Christian walk. “He just kept doing the same thing over and over again.”

How can Bible Study help us to grow together in our walk with Christ?

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