

NOTES & QUOTES



God, I Want to Grow
in Spiritual Maturity!

1 THESSALONIANS 3:10-13

CONNECT (BUILD RELATIONSHIPS)

1. "Age is no guarantee of maturity. Growing old is mandatory, but growing up is optional." What is your response to this statement? Why? Do you have any illustrations (personal or otherwise) of this principle at work?
2. Who in your life would you describe as being spiritually mature? What about them causes you to perceive them in this way?
3. On a scale of 1-10, where would you rank your personal desire to grow spiritually in the coming year?

THRIVE (EXPLORE BIBLICAL TRUTH)

4. Read 1 Thessalonians 3:10-13. What words, phrases or ideas stand out to you and why?
5. How does Hebrews 10:24-25 speak to the importance of meaningful community for followers of Christ? What roles do each of us have to play in this?
6. Verse 12 talks about our love "increas[ing] and overflow[ing] for others." Read 1 Corinthians 13:4-8 and be reminded of what biblical love actually looks like. Which of these characteristics is most natural and most difficult for you? How so?

7. What does the apostle Paul point to in verse 13 (and we also see this in 1 John 3:2-3) as our primary motivation for holy living here and now?

COMMIT (BE ON MISSION)

8. Several obstacles were highlighted that often keep us from community. Which one(s) is hindering you from leaning in and pursuing spiritual maturity with others? How can you engage more intentionally in this through the ministries of Compass?
9. What specific name(s) is God bringing to mind as someone you need to show the sacrificial love of Christ to more fully? What tangible step can you take this week to move the needle?
10. These five keys can help us honour God and live in holiness more: Revere / Restrict / Run / Repent / Renew. Which of these resonates with you at this time? What would it look like for you to apply this in a fresh way?

PAUSE, PONDER & PRAY

"Let us move . . . forward to maturity." *Hebrews 6:1*