

# *MEASURING OUR SPIRITUAL GROWTH*

*Introduction* • **Hebrews 5:12.** For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food.

*1. Hunger to  
know God  
and His truth  
on an  
intimate  
level.*

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- **Psalm 119:131.** I opened my mouth and panted, For I longed for Your commandments.



*2. An  
increasing  
awareness  
of sin and  
the desire  
for  
repentance.*

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- **Psalm 51:10.** Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a steadfast spirit within me.



### *3. Greater reliance on the Holy Spirit*

- **Zechariah 4:6.** Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' Says the LORD of hosts.



### *4. A desire to be used by God on a daily basis*

- **2 Timothy 2:21.** Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from the latter, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work.



*5. A desire to  
obey God  
regardless of  
situation or  
outcome*

- **1 Samuel 24:6.** And he said to his men, "The Lord forbid that I should do this thing to my master, the Lord's anointed, to stretch out my hand against him, seeing he is the anointed of the Lord."



*6. An  
increasing  
faith*

- **Hebrews 11:6.** But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.



*7. Placing  
more  
emphasis on  
things with  
eternal value*

- **Matthew 6:20.** but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal.



*8. A hunger  
for private  
prayer and  
communication  
with God*

- **Ephesians 6:18.** praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints—



*9. A desire to  
make  
decisions  
based on  
God's will  
and not ours*

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- **Isaiah 30:21.** Your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it," Whenever you turn to the right hand Or whenever you turn to the left.



*10. A  
constant  
awareness  
of God's  
presence in  
our lives*

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- **Acts 17:28.** for in Him we live and move and have our being



## *Conclusion*

1. Hunger to know God and His truth on an intimate level.
2. An increasing awareness of sin and the desire for repentance.
3. Greater reliance on the Holy Spirit
4. A desire to be used by God on a daily basis
5. A desire to obey God regardless of situation or outcome
6. An increasing faith
7. Placing more emphasis on things with eternal value
8. A hunger for private prayer and communication with God
9. A desire to make decisions based on God's will and not ours
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