

“Needed: A Lifetime of Growth”

Running on Empty

Introduction: “Miracle Grow!”

Colossians 2:7 (NLT) “ Let your roots grow down into Him, and let your lives be built on Him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness.”

- Three experiences when it comes to personal growth.
 1. _____experience of growth.
 2. _____experience of growth.
 3. _____experience of growth!

THREE ESSENTIAL INGREDIENTS FOR SPIRITUAL MIRACLE GROW.

1. _____

II Chronicles 16:9 (NIV) “ For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to Him.”

- Without your commitment there is no _____.
- Good News. _____is committed to your growth.

Titus 2:14 (NLT) “ Jesus gave His life to free us from every kind of sin, to cleanse us, and to make us His very own people, totally committed to doing what is right.”

- The power to be fully committed comes from _____.

Deuteronomy 30: 20 (NLT) “ You can make this choice by loving the Lord your God, obeying Him, and committing yourself firmly to Him. This (He) is the key to your life.”

- Three choices
 1. Every _____involved in Bible study.
 2. Every _____committed to host a study.
 3. Every _____joining a small group.

2. _____

Deuteronomy 6:6-7 (NLT) “And you must commit yourselves whole heartedly to these commands I am giving you today. Repeat them again and again to your children. Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away on a journey, when you are lying down and when you are getting up again.”

- Two things for spiritual miracle grow.
 1. _____God's truth.
 2. _____God's purposes.

I Corinthians 9:26 (LB) “So I run straight to the goal with purpose in every step.”

- Five purposes for my spiritual growth

1. I W _____

2. I B _____

3. I G _____

4. I S _____

5. I S _____

3. _____

Hebrews 10:24 (NIV) "And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds."

- Great things that we see on earth will be _____ in heaven!
- Small things we see on the earth will be _____ in heaven!
- "on your _____" verses "one _____."

CONCLUSION: Some "one anothers" that grow us.

- John 13:34 Love one another.
- Romans 12:10 Be devoted to one another.
- Romans 12:16 Live in harmony with one another.
- Romans 15:7 Accept one another.
- Galatians 5:13 Serve one another in love.
- Ephesians 4:2 Put up with one another.
- Ephesians 4:32 Be kind and compassionate to one another.
- Colossians 3:16 Teach and admonish one another.
- Hebrews 3:13 Encourage one another daily.
- 1 Peter 4:9 Offer hospitality to one another.