

Growing Spiritually

Romans 12: 1 – 2 (KJV)

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewing of your mind that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

There are three main components that accelerate spiritual growth; Worship, prayer and the word of God.

I Worship

John 4:23..... the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth....

In **Acts 16: 25-26** Paul and Silas sang praises and suddenly the **prison** was shaken by the earthquake: and immediately all the doors were opened.

Luke 11:2 When you w**orship** the Father, the kingdom of heaven shows up on **earth**.

II Prayer

Prayer is the result of God's established **authority** structure between heaven and **earth**.

Prayer grants God's **legal** access to earth.

According to **Romans 8:26** the Holy Spirit intercedes for us when we don't know how to pray.

In **Ephesians 6:18** Apostle Paul admonishes us to pray always with all prayers and petitions in the spirit. In verse 19 Paul requests prayer that utterance may be given him that he may open his mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel.

III The Word

The word of God accelerates spiritual growth. **Ephesians 4:23** *and be renewed in the spirit of your mind; 24 and that you put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.*

The angelic creation is activated by the word of God. **Psalms 103:20** says that God's angels excelled in strength doing His commandments listening to the voice of His word.

Finally, Jesus tells His disciples that growing spiritually is achieved through the spirit of truth, the Holy Spirit. **John 14:26**... the comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said to you.

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