

CHARITY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

OCTOBER 4, 11, & 25, 2023

Growing in Christ

II Peter 3:17-18



Theme

“But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.



3. Read Ephesians 4:15 (NIV).
What will the Scripture do in your
life?

Ephesians 4:15

Ephesians 4:15 NIV

Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ.

Ephesians 4:15b Amplified Bible says *“let us grow up in all things into Him (following His example) who is the Head__ Christ.*

ANSWER

The Scripture will help us grow in
Christ.



John 15:5-6

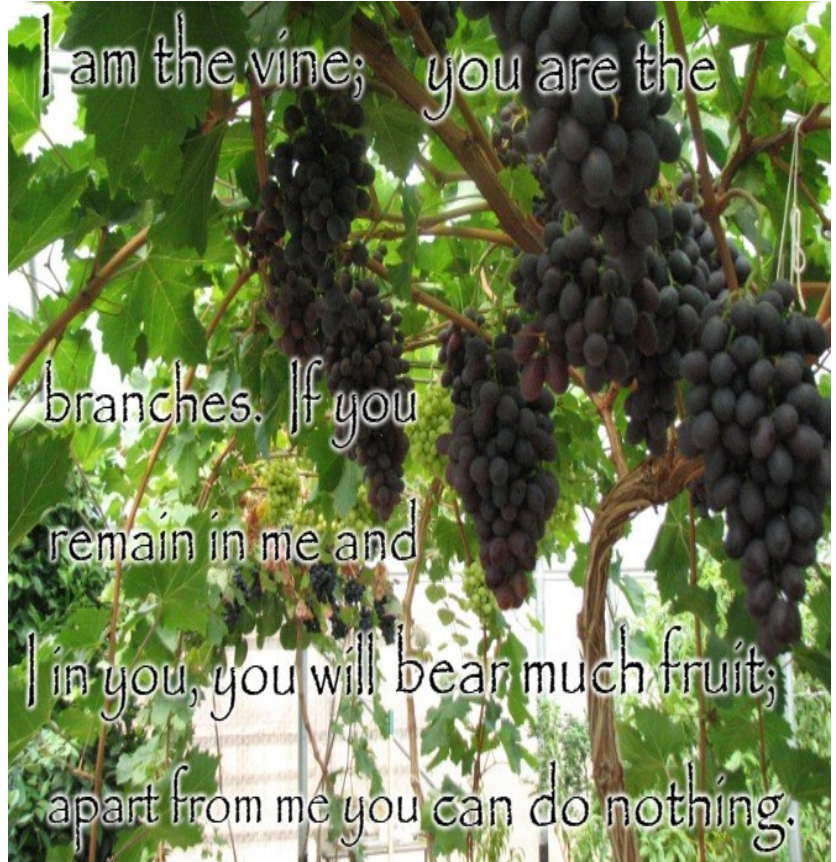
“I am the vine;
you are the
branches.

Remain in me

and I in you, you
will bear much

fruit; ⁶ If you **do**

not remain in
me, you are like
a branch that is
thrown away.



II Timothy 1:8b-9a

but share in **suffering for the gospel** by the power of God, *Who hath saved us, and called us with an **holy calling**, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace,*



Devotion
time

Read/
Study

**Personal
Growth
Plan**

Meditate/
Listen to
God

Memorize
Scripture

4. Explore Hebrews 4:12-13 (MSG).
What is the word of God able to do in
your heart?

Hebrews 4:12-13 MSG

God means

- *What he says.*
- *What he says goes.*

- ✓ *His powerful Word is sharp as a surgeon's scalpel,*
- ✓ *Cutting through everything, whether doubt or defense, laying us open to listen and obey.*

Nothing and no one can resist God's Word.

We can't get away from it—no matter what.



Hebrews 4:12-13 AMP

12 The word of God is living and active and

Full of power [making it operative, energizing, and effective].

- It is sharper than any two-edged ^[a]sword, penetrating as far as the division of the ^[b]soul and spirit*
- Exposing and judging the very thoughts and intentions of the heart.*

13 ALL things are open and exposed, and revealed to the eyes of Him with whom we have to give account.



ANSWER

The word of God is

- ✓ Able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.
- ✓ Able to allow victory over sin by applying Scriptures in our lives.
- ✓ Able to give us food for spiritual maturity and prepare us for eternity with God.
- ✓ Able to correct, instruct, inspire, and chastise us.



Psalm 119: 9 & 11

⁹ *Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way?*

*by taking heed thereto according to **thy word**.*

¹¹ *Thy **word** have I hid in mine heart,*

*that I might not **sin** against thee.*

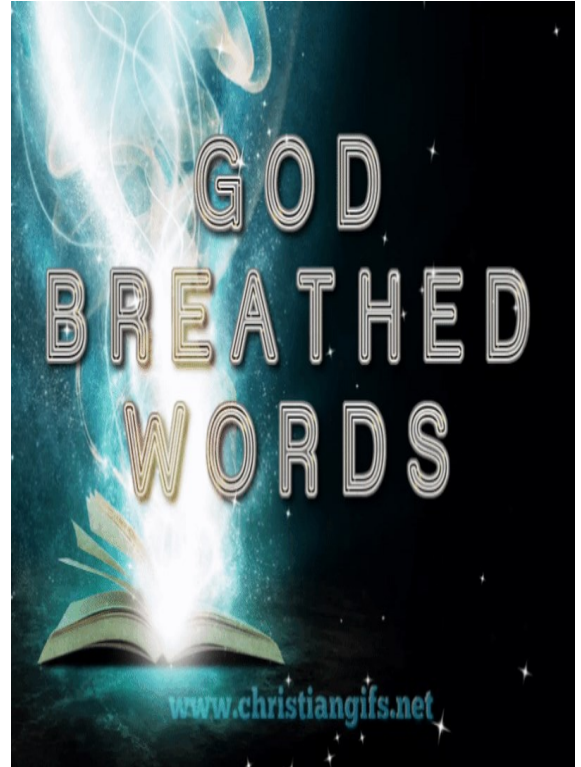


II Timothy 3:16-17 AMP

**¹⁶ All Scripture is
God-breathed**

- Divine inspiration*
- Profitable for **instruction** for conviction of sin
- Correction** [of error and restoration to obedience],
- Training** in righteousness [learning to live in conformity to God's will]

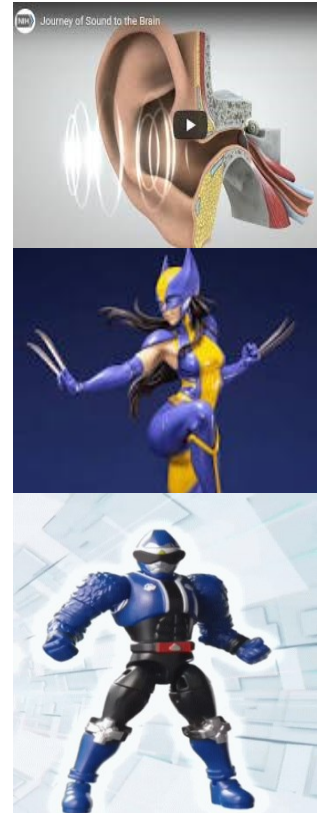
¹⁷ so that the ^{la}man of God may be complete and proficient, outfitted and thoroughly equipped for every good work.



5. Read James 1:22-25. How did James say we should respond to the word of God?

James 1:22-25 MSG

- ❖ Don't **fool yourself** into thinking that you are a listener when you are anything but, letting the Word go in **one ear** and out the other.
- ❖ **Act** on what you hear!
- ❖ Those who hear and don't act are like those who glance in the mirror, walk away, and two minutes later have no idea who they are, what they look like.
- ❖ ²⁵ But whoever catches a glimpse of the revealed counsel of God—the free life!—even out of the corner of his eye, and sticks with it, is no distracted scatterbrain but a man or woman of action. That person will find delight and affirmation in the action.



ANSWER

- ✓ Be doers of the Word.
- ✓ Act on the Word.
- ✓ Catch a glimpse, stick to the Word and take action!

Deuteronomy 6:6-7

⁶ And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: ⁷ And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

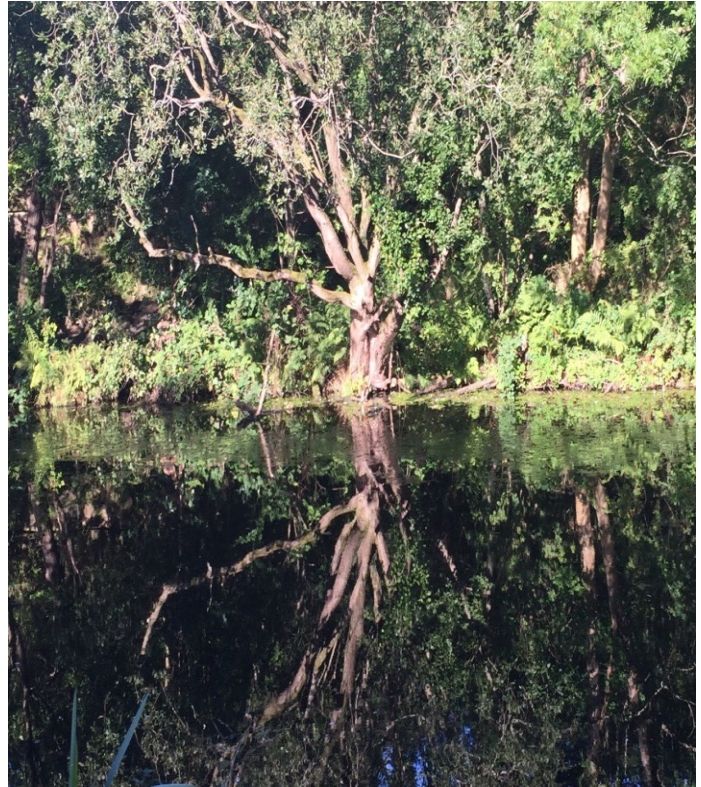


Psalm 1:1-3 KJV

*1 Blessed is the man that walketh **not** in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.*

*2 But his **delight** is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he **meditate day and night**.*

*3 And he shall be like a **tree planted** by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and **whatsoever he doeth shall prosper**.*



Also view Joshua 1:8

UNTIL NEXT TIME!!!

