

**“...but grow in the grace and  
knowledge of  
our Lord and Savior  
Jesus Christ.  
To Him be the glory,  
both now and to  
the day of eternity.  
Amen.”**

**II Peter 3:18**

# Growing in Christ: The Goal

We are to grow in Christ-likeness,  
being conformed to His character,  
bearing fruit and  
growing in good works

***“But I can’t do it!  
It’s too hard!  
It’s asking too much!!!”***

By God's grace,  
we have all of the resources  
and power we need  
to live a life  
of perfect obedience  
and holiness  
before God!

<b>FOOLISH MAN</b>	<b>WISE MAN</b>	
HEARS THE WORD	<b>OPPORTUNITY</b>	HEARS THE WORD
DOES NOT ACT ON THEM	RESPONSE	DOES ACT ON THEM
<b>HUMAN, WORLDLY, EARTHLY, DEMONIC</b>	<b>WORLDVIEW FORMED</b>	<b>GODLY, HEAVENLY, SPIRITUAL</b>
RAIN, WIND, FLOODS	CIRCUMSTANCES	RAIN WIND FLOODS
"HOUSE" FALLS	RESULT	"HOUSE" STANDS

God's Provision  
For Spiritual Growth:

Good Food!

The Word of God!!!

# GOD'S WORD FOR GROWTH: Commands Concerning The Word

- I Peter 2:1-2
- Colossians 3:16

# GOD'S WORD FOR GROWTH:

## Using The Word

- II Timothy 3:16-17
- II Corinthians 10:3-5.
  - ✓ RE: Temptation
  - ✓ RE: Worldview and philosophies!

# GOD'S WORD FOR GROWTH:

## Benefits of The Word

- Psalm 119!
- Psalm 1!



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**Establish a Biblical Worldview!**

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- Obey it! Live it!
- Teach it To Others!

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