

Hebrews 5:12-14

APPROACH TO SPIRITUAL GROWTH

- Normal people are <u>PASSIVE</u> with their spiritual growth. *(Hebrews 5:12-13)*
- Holy people are <u>INTENTIONAL</u> with their spiritual growth. (Hebrews 5:14)

HABITS OF HOLY PEOPLE

Holy People...

- <u>STUDY</u> SCRIPTURE. (Psalm 19:7-11 NLT)
- PERSIST IN PRAYER. (Luke 11:1-13)
- <u>SHARE</u> THEIR FAITH. (*Philemon 6, Romans 10:1-4*)
- <u>GIVE</u> GENEROUSLY. (Matthew 25:14-30)
- <u>SERVE</u> TO GROW. (Ephesians 4:11-16)

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1. What are some ways that the Word of God has encouraged you in the last week to a month? Share about a time when reading the Bible gave you joy, what were you reading about that caused that joy?

2. What has been the most profound piece of wisdom that you have ever learned from Scripture that you still go to when presented with life challenges? Why is it so significant to you and how has it helped you enjoy life better or avoid hardship?

3. Why would it have been so radical during Jesus' time to call God Father during prayer? What does that say about the way Jesus wanted the disciples to approach God? What does that say about the way God wants you to approach Him?

4. When you find yourself in a crisis situation do you persist in prayer until you get an answer from God or do you give up easy? When was the last time that you prayed to God for direction or answers and persisted in prayer until you felt the Lord answer, what was the situation and what was it like?

5. Read Romans 10:1. Why is a strong desire to reach people not enough?

6. Reflect on Colossians 4:2-6. Where does this passage challenge you the most? Take the time to break into smaller groups and pray specifically for the people on your list and your biggest challenge in reaching them.

7. Was there ever a time when you intentionally avoided serving as a ministry volunteer? If so, what was behind that avoidance? If you are currently serving as a ministry volunteer at TRBC, what and/or who served as a catalyst to get you plugged in?



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