

## Growing A Soul

- I. Why should our souls grow?
  - A. Christ Will Come again -- Grow In Grace And Knowledge (II Peter 3: 8-18)
  - B. What Does It Profit If You Gain The Whole World But Lose Your Soul (Matt. 16: 22-26)
  
- II. Lessons about growth.
  - A. Parable Of The Sower (Luke 8: 9-18)
  - B. Sincere Milk Of The Word (I Peter 2: 1-3)
  - C. Should Be Teachers But Still Need Milk (Heb. 5: 11-14)
  - D. Come Into Unity Of The Faith -- Speak The Truth In Love (Eph. 4: 11-16)
  - E. Parable Of The Talents -- Christ's Judgement (Matt. 25: 14-46)
  - F. Faith Without Works Is Dead (James 2: 14-17)
  - G. If You Know To Do Good But Don't You Are Sinning (James 4: 11-17)
  - H. God's Love Is Refreshing -- Green Pastures Still Waters (Psalms 23)
  
- III. We need to grow in all aspects of our life.
  - A. ABOVE -- Set Your Affections On Things Above (Col. 3: 1-4)
  - B. ABOVE -- Look To Christ For An Example (I John 2: 1-6)
  - C. INWARD -- Check Out Yourself -- Continue In The Doctrine (I Tim. 4: 11-16)
  - D. Do Good To All Men -- Restore Souls (Gal. 6: 1-10)
  
- IV. How do we know that we are growing?
  - A. Keep Commandments -- Love God -- Believe In Jesus (I John 5: 1-5)
  - B. Resist Temptation -- Outward Man Perish Inward Man Renewed Day By Day (II Cor. 4: 16-18)
  - C. Men Will Know That We Are His Disciples When We Are Loving People (John 13: 31-35)

V. Conclusion

A. When things cease to grow they die. So it is with our souls. We must ever strive to be more like Christ, for it is only through our hearts desire to be like Him, being put into action, that we may be found pleasing in God's sight.