

How We Help Each Other Grow

☞ *For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.* **Romans 8:29**

● One of the great purposes of life is to become like Jesus Christ.
☞ **1 Thessalonians 5:11**

1 By Affirming Each Other.

A. With Acceptance. ☞ **Romans 15:7; 14:10**

B. With Attention. ☞ **Galatians 6:10**

C. With Affection. ☞ **Romans 12:10**

D. With Appreciation. ☞ **1 Thessalonians 5:12**

2 By Praying For Each Other's Growth.

A. A lesson from an obscure guy. ☞ **Colossians 4:12**

B. Towards better praying.

☞ **Ephesians 3:18-19; Hebrews 13:20-21; Romans 15:13; Ephesians 1:17; 2 Thessalonians 3:5; Ephesians 3:16; Romans 15:5**

3 By Admitting Our Own Mistakes.

A. Openness, transparency and humility grows intimacy.

☞ **Ephesians 4:25**

B. Benefits of honesty.

- ◇ Emotional healing. ☞ **James 5:16a**
- ◇ A fresh start. ☞ **Proverbs 28:13**
- ◇ God's power to change. ☞ **James 4:10**
- ◇ Deeper fellowship. ☞ **1 John 1:7**

4 By Encouraging Each Other's Commitment.

A. We become what we are committed to.

☞ **1 Timothy 4:7; Romans 1:12**

B. Basic Christian commitments.

- ◇ To passionately pursue and love Jesus Christ.
- ◇ To love other believers.
- ◇ To grow in God's Word.
- ◇ To serve in ministry.
- ◇ To share the Good News.