

Chapter 8
Growing Up Into Christ

How to use this study guide: Please read and number each paragraph (¶) in each chapter in your booklet STEPS TO CHRIST for easy reference.

¶ 1. *What is the change of heart called in the Bible?*

What is it also compared to?

What name is given to those who are just converted to Christ? (1 Pet 2:2)

What shall they be called when they grow up? - and for what purpose? (Isa. 61:3)

Why are these illustrations drawn from natural life?

¶ 2. *Can man produce life in the smallest object in nature?*

How is spiritual life begotten in the hearts of men? (John 3:3)

¶ 3. *Who brings the bud to bloom and the flower to fruit? (Mark 4:28; Hos. 14:5,7; Lu. 12:27)*

Can the child add to its stature?

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Can you, by anxiety or effort of yourself, secure spiritual growth?

How do the plant and the child grow?

What is Christ to those who trust in Him?

- A. _____ Isa. 60:19
- B. _____ Ps. 84:11
- C. _____ Hos. 14:5
- D. _____ Ps. 72:6
- E. _____ John 6:33

¶ 4. What will be the experience of all who choose to breathe the life-giving atmosphere of grace? (Eph. 4:15)

¶ 5. What should we do that we may develop the likeness of Christ? (Mal. 4:2)

¶ 6. What did Jesus teach us to do - and why? (John 15:4,5)

¶ 7. Can we, by our own efforts, live aright?

How are we to grow in grace?

How are we to maintain our union with Christ? (Ps. 16:8)

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¶ 8. *Do you ask, "How am I to abide in Christ?" (Col. 2:6 Heb. 10:38)*

How did you become Christ's and how are you to grow up in Him?

How much should you give Him? - and how much should you take from Him?

¶ 9. *What should your first work be in the morning?*

How are you to plan for your life?

¶ 10. *What will be the results of your union/communion with Christ?*

- A. _____
- B. _____
- C. _____
- D. _____
- E. _____

What should our mind dwell upon?

How are you to be transformed into His likeness?

¶ 11. *What do Jesus' words, "abide in Me" convey?*

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Is this rest found in inactivity?

¶ 12. *What happens when the mind dwells upon self?*

What is Satan's constant effort?

What are some of the things that Satan uses to divert our attention from our Savior?

- A. _____
- B. _____
- C. _____
- D. _____

What are we counselled not to do?

What should we do instead?

- A. _____
- B. _____
- C. _____
- D. _____
- E. _____ (Gal. 2:20)
- F. _____

¶ 13. *How can our tie of love to Christ be broken?*

What are we counselled to do to prevent us from breaking this tie?

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¶ 14. *How did the early disciples gain their likeness to our dear Savior?*

Were those disciples men "subject to like passions as we are?" (Jas. 5:17)

¶ 15. *Did the beloved disciple John naturally possess the loveliness of the character of Christ?*

How did John see his own deficiency? - and what was the result?

What did John behold in the daily life of the Son of God? - and what was the result?

¶ 16. *Was the sense of Christ's presence still with His followers after He ascended to heaven? (Matt. 28:20)*

¶ 17. *How did they present their requests to the Father? (John 16:23, 24; Rom. 8:34)*

What happened at Pentecost? (John 14:17; 16:7)

What was the result? (Acts 4:13)

¶ 18. *What is Christ's desire for His children today? (John 17:20)*

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¶ 19. *What was Jesus' prayer for us? (John 5:19; 14:10)*

What will happen if Christ dwells in our hearts? (Phil. 2:13; Eph. 4:15)
