CORNERSTONE Christian Church

LOVING GRACE

Growing
Reaching
Authentic
Community / Creative
Empowering /
Equipping





For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters.

Romans 8:29 NIV

God knew what he was doing from the very beginning. He decided from the outset to shape the lives of those who love him along the same





Personal responsibility

Corporate responsibility





Instead, speaking the truth in love,

we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ.

From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love,

as each part does its work. Ephesians

4:15-16 (NIV)



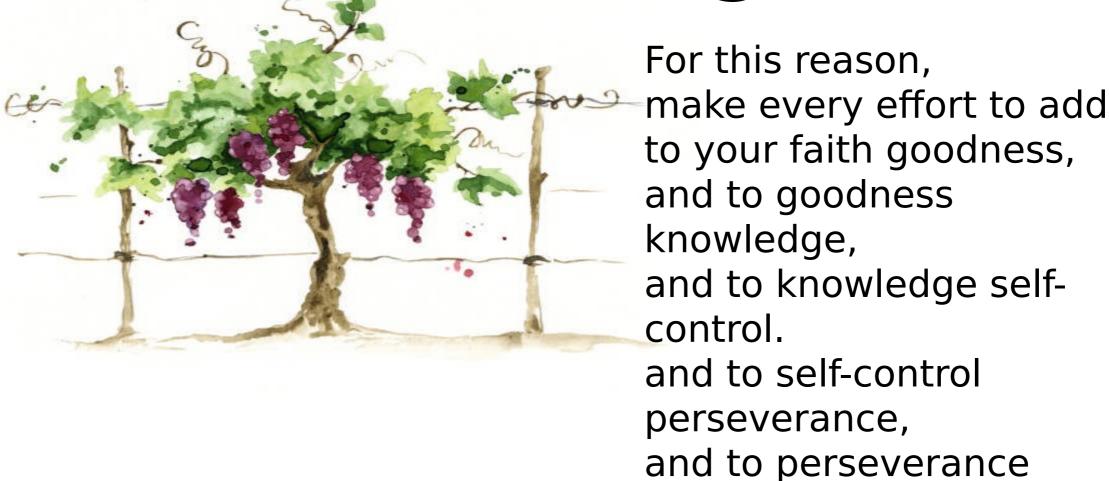


We need one another

"Relationship with others is part of the created order. Independence from relationship is independence from God himself, for he is present in his Body."

"Biblical growth is designed to include other people as God's instruments. To be truly biblical as well as truly effective, the growth process must include the Body of Christ. Without the Body, the process is neither totally biblical nor orthodox."





godliness,

and to godliness mutual





For if you possess these qualities in increasing measures, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

But whoever does not have them is near sighted and (spiritually) blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins.



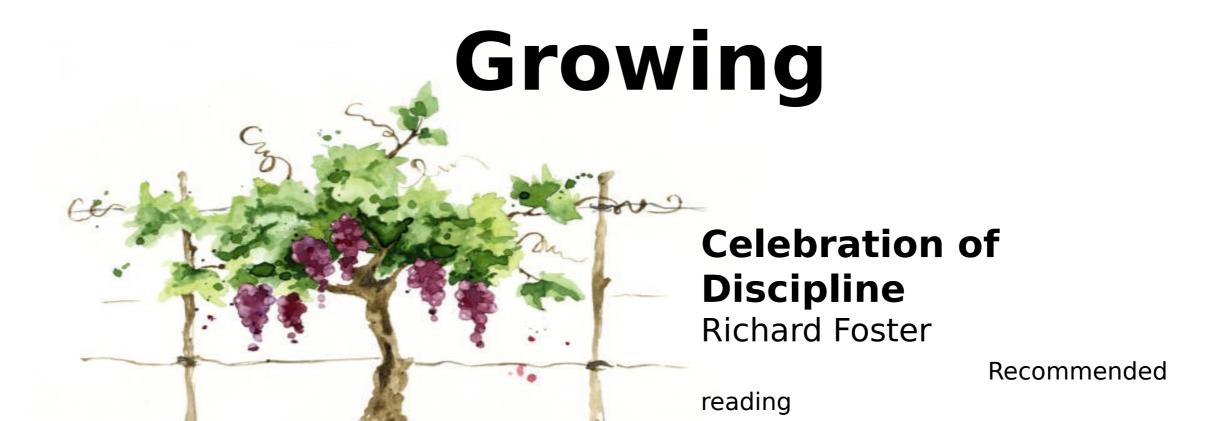


So, I will always remind you of these things, even though you know them and are firmly established in the truth you now have.

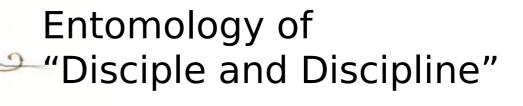
I think it is right to refresh your memory as long as I live in the tent of this body...

2 Peter

1:12-13 (NIV)







Latin **Discipolos –** meaning student or learner





Spiritual Disciplines

Prayer Scripture Sabbath Fasting Silence & Solitude Simplicity Community Hospitality Generosity





Spiritual Disciplines

as

"Trellis,"

Ancient and modern technique for supporting plant growth

Rhythms of personal and communal living that help to support our spiritual growth





Spiritual Disciplines

Formation requires repetition





John 15:1-17





Our growth is intended to reflect a lived reality of God's presence in our lives