

THE GROWTH CHOICE
Life's Healing Choices: Part 8

CHOICE 7 - I reserve a daily time with God for Bible reading, self-examination, and prayer in order to know God and his will for my life and to gain the power to follow his will.

2 Peter 3:18 P. 861

HOW TO CONTINUE GROWING

1. _____ A DAILY TIME WITH GOD.

And now, dear children, continue in him, so that when he appears we may be confident and unashamed before him at his coming.

1 John 2:28

No one who lives in him keeps on sinning. No one who continues to sin has either seen him or known him. 1 John 3:6

Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. Col. 4:2

2. _____ MY MIND WITH SCRIPTURES.

But the man who looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues to do this, not forgetting what he has heard, but doing it—he will be blessed in what he does. James 1:25

... Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. 32Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

John 8:31-32

3. _____ ON MY GOALS AND NOT MY HABITS.

Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Phil. 3:12

Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, 14I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus. Phil. 3:13-14

4. _____ MY FAILURES QUICKLY.

He who conceals his sins does not prosper, □ but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy. Prov. 28:13

"Let us examine our ways and test them, and let us return to the Lord." Lam. 3:40

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9

5. _____ TEMPTATIONS BUT NOT FEAR THEM.

Flee the evil desires of youth, and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

2 Tim. 2:22

Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be men of courage; be strong. 1 Cor. 16:13

Do not be misled: "Bad company corrupts good character."

1 Cor. 15:33

6. _____ AN ONGOING SUPPORT GROUP.

He has delivered us from such a deadly peril, and he will deliver us. On him we have set our hope that he will continue to deliver us, 11as you help us by your prayers. Then many will give thanks on our behalf for the gracious favor granted us in answer to the prayers of many.

2 Cor.1:10-11

Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching. Heb. 10:25

7. _____ CHRIST TO THE FINISH LINE.

being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. Phil. 1:6

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Gal. 6:9

