HOW DOES A CHILD OF GOD GROW AND BECOME STRONGER?

1. **PRAY** TO GOD EVERY DAY

"And he withdrew himself into the wilderness, and prayed." (Luke 5:16)

- A) Worship Give thanks to Jesus who died for your sins or for your health and other things and praise God for his power, love, etc. (Psalms 117 and 118)
- B) Be honest and confess your sins and replace them with good deeds (Proverbs 28:13)
- C) Ask God:
 - To help you with your problems (Daniel 6:10-11)
 - And because of other people's problems (Colossians 1:9)
 - By workers in other places in the world (Colossians 4:2-4)
 - For more workers in places where the good news about Jesus Christ (Matthew 9:37-38)

2. PAY ATTENTION TO **GOD'S WORD** - JOSHUA 1:8; PSALM 119:11; EZRA 7:10

Read a portion of scripture EVERY day. Before this, she reads the following questions; And as you read, keep them in mind so you can delve deeper into the scriptures and discover the truths in them. they.

- A) Is there any sin I need to repent of?
- B) Is there a promise I should remember?
- C) Is there a good example I should follow or a bad example I should avoid?
- D) Is there a command that I must obey?
- E) E) Is there any characteristic of God, of myself, of other people, of the devil, etc., that I should remember?



For example, read: "For Ezra had prepared his heart to inquire the law of the Lord and to fulfill it, and to teach his statutes and decrees in Israel" (Ezra 7:10).
Find A, B, C, D or E. What did you find? Enjoy and delight in his Word!

3. <u>DEAL</u> WITH CHILDREN OF GOD REGULARLY - 1 CORINTHIANS 15:33; HEBREWS 10:24-25

Your close friends must be children of God, leading a holy life. Because they will motivate you to live a holy life. For example, with your words, activities, relationships and thoughts.

Associate with people who show you love for God at school, at work, and in the neighborhood. Possibly before you had not had options like those. Now, start attending church or Bible reading groups. Start serving other people and believe God, when He says that he will supply what is necessary for you.

4. <u>TELL</u> OTHER PEOPLE ABOUT JESUS CHRIST

Maybe you want to tell your friends or family about Jesus, but you don't know how. There is a path that you must show them.

A. PROBLEM = Sin

"For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God..."
(Romans 3:23)

B. SOLUTION = Jesus Christ

"...but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Romans 6:23b)

"For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures" (1 Corinthians 15:3-4)

C. REQUIREMENT = Faith

You just have to have FAITH in what Jesus did for you on the cross and in the resurrection. Dependence on other things, works or people is not admissible to God.

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." (Ephesians 2:8-9)

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:116)

After salvation, we need to do works to glorify God, not to save ourselves. (Ephesians 2:10; Matthew 5:16)

It is necessary to know these verses and read them to other people.

"So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." (Romans 10:17)

These four things are very important for God's children to grow and become stronger. The devil hates God and his children. With great subtlety he is fighting against God and against his children. The devil does not know all things, but he knows that a weak child of God is easy prey to defeat (1 Peter 5:8)

He knows that the potential of God's children is great and wants to stop their growth.

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord."

(1 Corinthians 15:58)



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STRONG CHILD OF GOD



After a person believes in Jesus Christ for salvation by faith alone (John 14:6) this person will become a child of God. Saint John wrote – "But to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God" – with an eternal relationship and eternal life (John 1:12; 1 John 5:11-13)

But it is very important to become stronger and grow more like Jesus. As a child grows up resembling his parents, also a child of God needs to GROW.