

Week three day 1

JUST AS MILK IS FOR BABIES, WHEN WE FIRST BELIEVE AND BECOME A CHRISTIAN, WE UNDERSTAND SIMPLER IDEAS ABOUT FAITH. Hebrews 12 says that as we grow more mature in our faith, just as babies grow and start to eat solid food, we start to understand more about the Lord and grow in discernment of good and evil.

“Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.”

HEBREWS 12:13-14

Heart  treasure

Lord, Thank You that I am Growing.

Help me to grow in telling the difference
between good and evil so I can be
more like You.

In Jesus' name, amen.

Hebrews 12:13-14 says people mature in their faith have
t_a_n_d themselves to distinguish _____
from _____.

If we have to train for something, that means we learn it:
A. super fast **B.** by practicing over time **C.** by not trying

We need to practice following God and making good, godly
decisions. That helps us separate good from evil and makes us
stronger and more mature believers.

What are some things you think are good and godly?

What are some things you think are evil?

What do you want to do this week to train yourself to be more
mature and discerning?



Week three day 2

HAVE YOU EVER HEARD THE TERM “GROWING PAINS”?

Growing up can be hard and tiring. You are learning so much about the world and trying to adjust. There are so many wonderful things about it, but hard things too. When we are trying to grow in our Christian faith, we can mess up on the journey. We might think that God is angry when we mess up while trying to grow, but Psalm 103:8 tells us something different:

*“The Lord is compassionate and gracious,
slow to anger, abounding in love.”*

PSALM 103:8

Heart  treasure

Lord, Thank You that I am Growing.

When I mess up and fall short, remind me
that You are slow to anger and
abounding in love.

In Jesus' name, amen.

Match the four ways the Lord is described in this verse with the correct definition.

1. _____ COMPASSIONATE
2. _____ GRACIOUS
3. _____ SLOW TO ANGER
4. _____ ABOUNDING IN LOVE

-  A DIVINE GRACE
-  B DOES NOT GET MAD QUICKLY
-  C OVERFLOWS WITH LOVE
-  D SHOWS CARE AND CONCERN FOR YOU

Try to fill in the blanks without looking at the verse.
If you can't, then no worries—take a peek!

The Lord is _____ and
_____, slow to _____
abounding in _____.

When you fall, if God is slow to anger, compassionate, gracious, and abounding in love, what does that show about the Lord's character?

So, how can you feel when you make mistakes as you grow?

-  A. FEEL VERY DOWN BECAUSE GOD IS QUICK TO GET MAD.
-  B. RELAX AND ACCEPT GOD'S GRACE HAPPILY, KNOWING HE LOVES AND FORGIVES YOU.
-  C. DON'T TRY TO PLEASE HIM, SINCE HE FORGIVES YOU ANYWAY.

The verse tells us God is slow to anger so letter A would not be the right answer. Letter C is not the correct answer either because it does not show a heart trying to please God, but one taking advantage of it. So, B is the best answer.

**GOD IS THERE FOR YOU
AS YOU GROW.**

Answers: 1.d 2.a 3.b 4.c



Week three day 3

MICAH IS A PROPHET IN THE BIBLE—guess which book he wrote in the Bible ... he wrote the book of Micah! Micah means *Who is like Yahweh*? He offered the people hope and promised that if they returned to God, Jerusalem would be restored.

“Who is a God like You, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. You will again have compassion on us; You will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea.”

MICAH 7:18-19

Heart



treasure

Lord, Thank You that I am Growing.

I praise You that no one is like You. You are full of compassion, mercy, and forgiveness.

In Jesus' name, amen.

In Micah 7, Micah tells us that God does not stay angry forever but _____ to show _____.

You will again have _____ on us.

Iniquities is another word for sin. What does Micah say God does with our sin when we ask for forgiveness:

You will tread our sins _____ and
_____ all our iniquities into the
_____ of the sea.



What do you think it means that the Lord stomps on sin and hurls it into the deep sea?

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What do you think it means that God delights to show mercy?

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Write a prayer to God sharing your thoughts with Him.

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Week three day 4

AS WE ARE MATURING IN FAITH WHILE ON EARTH,
we will continue to fall short and need forgiveness.
In the growth process, we can come to God with
confidence because He gives us just what
we need.

*“Let us then approach God’s throne of grace
with confidence, so that we may receive
mercy and find grace to help us in
our time of need.”*

HEBREWS 4:16

Heart  treasure

Lord, Thank You that I am Growing.

I need Your mercy and grace as I grow in You.

Thank You for giving it to me when I need it.

In Jesus’ name, amen.

DECODE THE PUZZLE TO DISCOVER WHAT
GOD WILL PROVIDE WHEN
WE'RE IN NEED.



	=A		=D		=G		=I		=M		=R		=V		=W
	=C		=E		=N		=L		=O		=S		=U		=Y

Week three day 5

PAUL, A FOLLOWER OF JESUS IN THE BIBLE, spoke to the Ephesian church and told them what qualities would hurt their faith, and which ones would help them grow.

“Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.”

EPHESIANS 4:31-32

Heart  treasure

Lord, Thank You that I am Growing.

I pray I would reflect You in all I do
so I can grow in my faith.

In Jesus' name, amen.

In Ephesians 4:31-32, God says to get rid of all

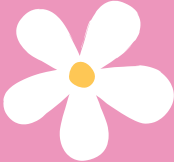
_____, _____ and _____,
brawling (fighting) and **slander** (saying false things about
someone), and every form of _____ (the desire
to do evil).

Instead, the verse says to,

be _____ and _____ to one
another, _____ each other, just as in
Christ God forgave _____.

As you search for these words, ask God to help you grow in these
qualities to mature in your faith.





Lord,
Thank You that
I am Growing.