

## Elementary Children's Church

### Lesson 11

So how do I grow up in Christ? (Re-emphasis of the Grace of God)

1. Well, part one of your journey is complete: **I Timothy 2:4**: "Who will have **all men to be saved**." We are saved, born again, redeemed; we've accepted Christ Jesus as Savior and part two is now before us: "and to come unto the knowledge of the truth." And we have rejoiced in the word "knowledge" because it means full, exact, or complete knowledge. (Seems a bit overwhelming, but completely possible because salvation and full knowledge are all by the same working power: GRACE. It never changes throughout our walk with God, it's all by Grace.) **II Peter 3:18**: "But **grow in grace**, and [in] the **knowledge** of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him [be] glory both now and for ever. Amen." Everything ever built or grown in our lives that is Godly, is all by Grace, Grace that produces and meets every need. **Ephesians 2:10**: "For we are his **workmanship, created** in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them."

2. Now, the way we grow up and mature is made clear especially in **Acts 20:32**: "And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified." The Word of His Grace is everything to us, and it is the only way we ever will be separated to Christ and His life. Not by works of our flesh (do's and don'ts) which are filthy to God, but by the grace of God, His divine finished work in us. **Philippians 2:13** "For it is God which worketh in you both to **will** and to do of **his good pleasure**."