

# PROTECTION OF SPIRITUAL GROWTH

*Spiritual Depth:* Growing in knowledge and understanding the whole of scripture and allowing God's Spirit to apply it more and more to every aspect of my life!

## THE PROTECTIVE PARTNERSHIP

This is the Gospel "Good News"

In Christ - Justification - New Relationship  
Sanctification - Growing Relationship  
Glorification - Fulfilled Relationship

## A PROTECTIVE PATTERN

Works Together

Romans 6:1-4

In Christ

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- DON'T ... Give into what will distract, deceive, destroy
- DISCOVER ... The sweetness of God dependence - our true God-given desire
- DISCIPLINE ... Hard work of sustained growth - keep paying attention

In Christ

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- DON'T ... Be led astray
- DISCOVER ... Completion in Christ, accept, lives built on Him
- DISCIPLINE ... Continue to live in obedience, grow in Him overflow in thanksgiving

## DEEP ROOTS

Colossians 2:6-10

## TRANSFORMED HEART

Romans 12:2

In Christ

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- DON'T ... Be conformed to this world
- DISCOVER ... Be transformed
- DISCIPLINE ... Know what is good, pleasing & perfect

# PARTNERSHIP

Cooperation between the Holy Spirit, God's Word, prayer, and church (all working together in Christ)

## THE HOLY SPIRIT

Romans 8:12-14 Galatians 5:16-26

In Christ

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- DON'T ... Do what your sinful nature urges
- DISCOVER ... The power of the Holy Spirit
- DISCIPLINE ... Turn and be led

## GOD'S WORD

Psalms 1:1-3 Joshua 1:6-9

In Christ

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- DON'T ... Influenced by the ungodly
- DISCOVER ... Delight in His Word
- DISCIPLINE ... Meditate on His Word day & night

## PRAYER

Philippians 4:4-9 Proverbs 3:5-6

In Christ

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- DON'T ... Worry
- DISCOVER ... Our need, provision & peace of God
- DISCIPLINE ... Fix your mind on

## CHURCH

Hebrews 10:23-25 Ephesians 2:19-22

In Christ

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- DON'T ... Neglect being together
- DISCOVER ... How much we need & love each other
- DISCIPLINE ... To encourage & warn