

Although the mystery of godliness has been solved in the person and work of Jesus, training is still required for those who make progress in godliness. The more you know Jesus the more you love him. The more you love him the more you become like him.

**Godliness is attentiveness to God that ignites God-like living.**

Do you live with a constant awareness that God sees everything you do, hears everything you say, and knows everything you think? How would it change what you do, say, and think if you did?

**Training is exercise that builds spiritual muscle in preparation for the challenges that lie ahead.**

Do you admire people who work out? Do you admire people who exhibit godliness? What kind of training do you think they have done to become godly?

Godliness is not about good people getting better. It is about ungodly people getting grace. It is about living with the awareness that God wants to give me all that I need to live like him no matter the challenges. What challenges to godliness do you see in the world?

Discuss the following questions. Do you have the qualities listed?

- **Trainees are needed. Am I trainable?** Humble, Hungry, Hopeful
- **Trainers are needed. Am I available?** Wisdom, Courage, Love
- **Training is needed. Is my godliness transferable?** Simplicity, Clarity, Urgency

Harvest is committed to training people in the most practical areas of life. Are you taking advantage of these opportunities? How can you take the next step to train yourself for godliness in these areas?

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#### **Five Words for Parents**

1. **No (Proverbs 29:15, 17).** Is it difficult for you to say "no" to your children? Do you believe it is possible to train your children to obey?
2. **Know (Deuteronomy 6:6-7).** What are you doing to instruct your children in the words and good doctrine of scripture?
3. **Show (Titus 2:6-7).** If your children did only what they see you doing would they be trained in godliness?
4. **Grow (1Corinthians 13:11).** Are you fearful of letting your children try and fail? Are you forgiving when your children fail? Do you overly control your children?
5. **Go (Psalm 127:4).** Are you raising your children to think, choose, and live without you? Will they be ready when it's time to say goodbye?

**Additional Scripture**

- Proverbs 6:20-23
- Proverbs 13:24
- Proverbs 19:18
- Proverbs 22:15
- Proverbs 23:13-14