



The 5G Campaign is all about what's next in your spiritual progress. As a church we are identifying five qualities of a next generation Christian. We will be intentional about making some serious progress in these disciplines: Glorifying, Growing, Grateful, Gracious, and Generous.

On Sunday we reviewed some spiritual highlights for our church over the last year? What happened at church that was the highlight for you? What are you looking forward to in the coming year?

Truth is better commanded than suggested. Read 1 Tim 4:11. Commanding and teaching are viewed as arrogant and oppressive in our culture. What are some things in your life that you are glad were commanded but, at the time, wish they were only suggested? Name some things that you are glad you were taught rather than left to your opinion?

Investing in who's next. Read 1 Tim 4:12. Timothy's mother and grandmother taught him the gospel. (1 Tim. 1:5) Paul called Timothy his "child in the faith". (1 Tim. 1:2) Who do you look to as a mentor in the faith? Who are you investing in like a spiritual child?

Do you feel like you are disrespected because of your youth or inexperience? Do you disrespect others who are younger or less experienced than you?

Are you making progress in mature speech, conduct, love, faith, and purity?

Devoted to the Word. Read 1 Tim. 4:13. How do you see these three ways of communicating Scripture implemented at our church?

Don't neglect the Gift. Read 1 Tim. 4:14. A spiritual gift is a God designed, Spirit enabled, Christ exalting, church edifying ability to meet spiritual needs around me. What gift has God given you? How are you using it to edify the church?

Practice makes progress. Read 1 Tim. 4:15-16. What skills have you obtained through persistent practice?

Salvation is intended to be the beginning of a lifetime of spiritual progress? Theologians call this progress sanctification. Has anyone told you lately that they can see that you are making progress?

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Certain dates on the calendar trigger us to reflect back and look forward to what's next. How often do you do evaluate your spiritual progress? Have you made significant spiritual progress in the last 12 months? In what ways?

Will you commit yourself in the coming year to the practice of persistent progress in the 5Gs?

Will you commit to memorize these five verses over the next five weeks? Ask your small group to hold you accountable.





DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Glorifying - Psalm 29:2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.

Growing – 2 Peter 3:18 But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Grateful - Isaiah 25:1 O LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you; I will praise your name, for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

Gracious - Ephesians 4:29 Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.

Generous – 2 Corinthians 9:11 You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

Additional Scripture

Titus 2:7

Titus 3:8

2 Tim. 4:2

James 3:13

2 Tim. 2:22

Proverbs 2:1-5

Psalm 1

Acts 2:42-47

Acts 6:4

Acts 17:11

