

## ***GROWING STRONG***

### ***PASS THE MILK***

1 Peter 2:1-3

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*Therefore, putting aside all malice and all guile and hypocrisy and envy and all slander, like newborn babes, long for the pure milk of the word, that by it you may grow in respect to salvation, if you have tasted the kindness of the Lord.*

*1 Peter 2:1-3*

**How does a person really grow strong in the Christian life?**

#### **1. You must feed on the Word of God.**

##### **A. Christianity is a new birth experience.**

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has **caused us to be born again** to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. 1 Peter 1:3*

##### **B. Every baby needs good milk to grow.**

1. You will hear from God as you read His Word.

2. You will draw near to God as you read His Word.

*Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. James 4:8*

3. You will be blessed of God as you read His Word.

*He who gives attention to the word shall find good, and blessed is he who trusts in the LORD. Proverbs 16:20*

4. You will grow spiritually as you read His Word.

#### **2. You must throw out the appetite killers.**

A. Look honestly at your own heart.

1. Are you harboring known wickedness and ill-will?
2. Are you living a lie, pretending in your Christianity?
3. Are you jealous and resentful?
4. Are you guilty of speaking evil of others?

B. Get all sin out of your life and under His blood.

*If we say that we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth; but if we walk in the light as He Himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.*

*1 John 1:6-7*

**3. You must answer the key question.**

*... if you have tasted the kindness of the Lord. 1 Peter 2:3*

- \* Have you personally experienced the Lord's grace?

**Don't you think it's time for you to get serious about Him?**