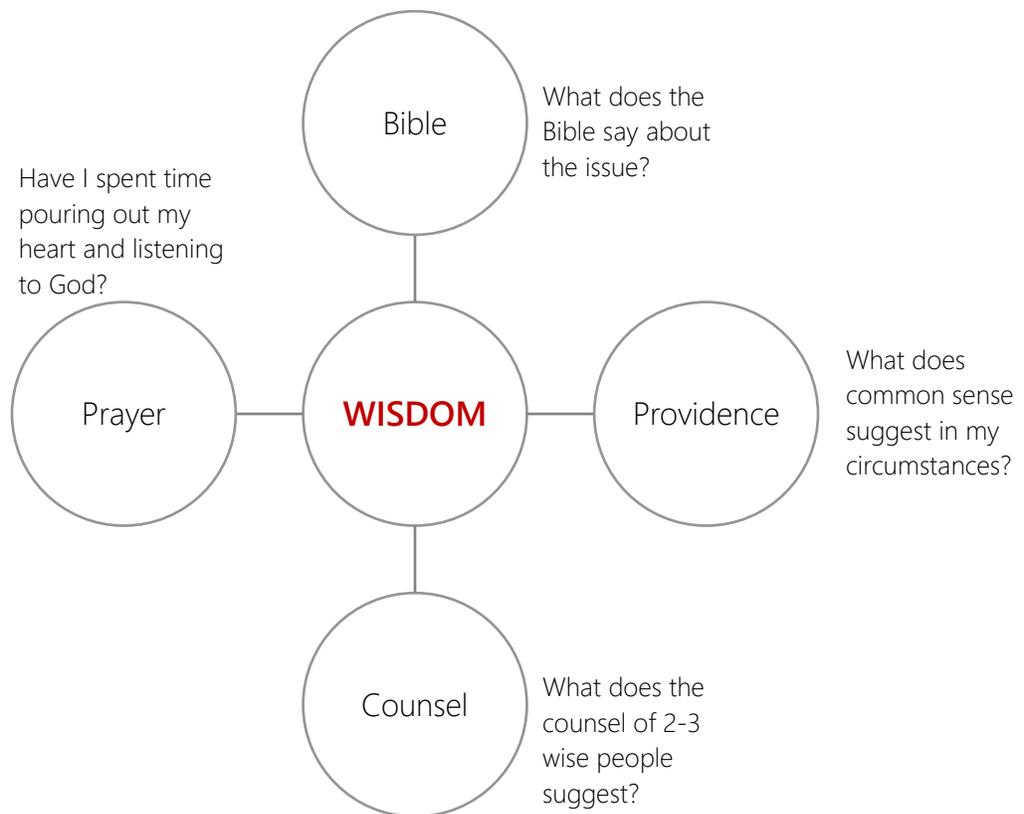


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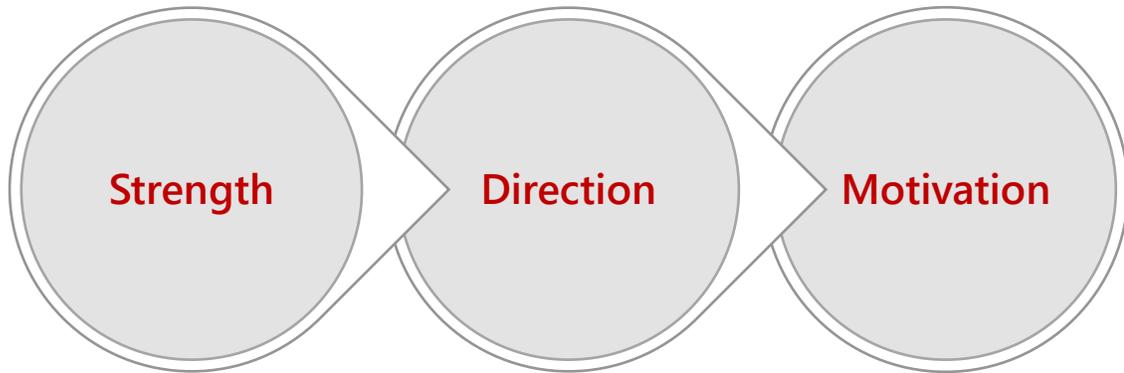
Resources for Living

Finding the Wisdom of God

4 Principles for Making Decisions



Three Things Every Christian Needs



For STRENGTH
Christians need
the LIFE of CHRIST

Philippians 4:13
*"I can do all things
through Him who
strengthens me."*

For DIRECTION
Christians need
the LAW of CHRIST

Psalms 119:105
*"Your word is a lamp to
my feet and a light to
my path."*

For MOTIVATION
Christians need
the LOVE of Christ

2 Corinthians 5:14-15
*"For the love of Christ
controls us, having
concluded this, that one
died for all, therefore all
died; and He died for all,
so that they who live
might no longer live for
themselves, but for Him
who died and rose again
on their behalf."*

How the Christian Makes Progress on the Journey of Faith



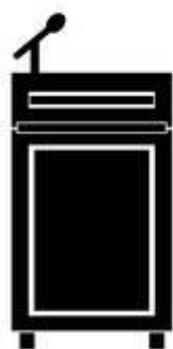
The engine of the Christian's life is driven by the truth as revealed in God's Word. *(John 17:17)*

The Christian places faith (trust) in the facts of God's Word. *(Hebrews 11:6)*

The feelings come on the back end. The Christian life is a journey of faith, not by sight or feeling. *(Hebrews 10:38)*

How to Get the Most Out of a Sermon or Bible Study

Coming to a church service and getting the most out of it is really a three way conversation between *the preacher, the audience, and the Holy Spirit*. What are they all talking about? The Word of God! (Greg Heisler, *Spirit-Led Preaching, The Holy Spirit's Role in Sermon Preparation and Delivery*, pg.115)



1.

The preacher proclaims the Word in the power of the Holy Spirit.



2.

The Spirit gives His *testimonium* to the Word being preached.



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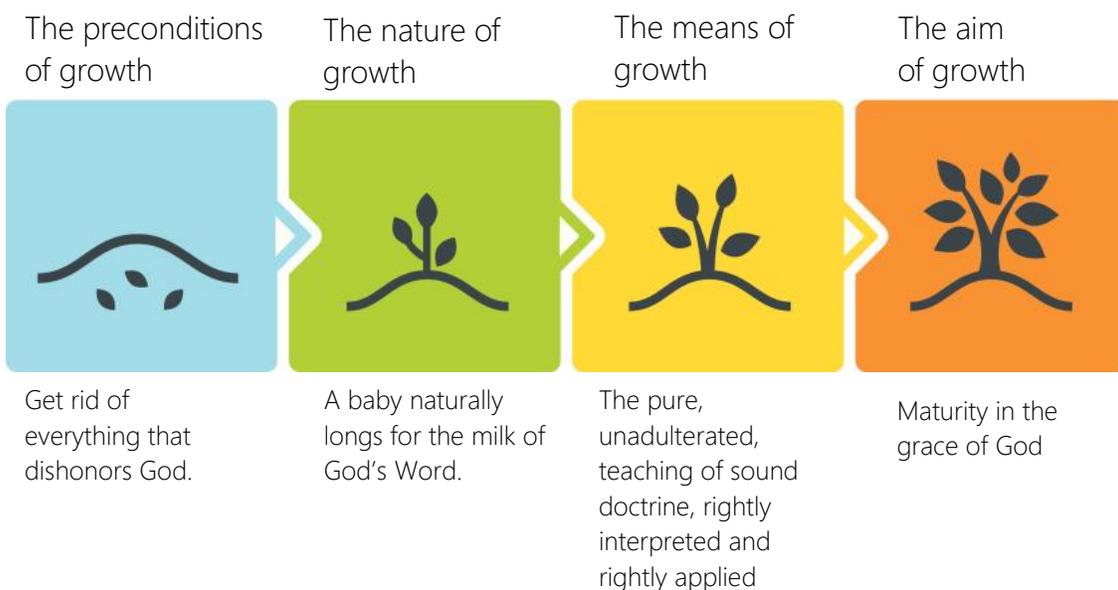
The audience resounds with, "Amen, it's true!" as they yield to the Spirit's inward application of the proclaimed Word of God to their own hearts.

Measuring Spiritual Growth

In order to grow spiritually there are four applications a believer must make:

1 PETER 2:1-3

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



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