

Miracle Grow!

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Ephesians 4:14-16 (CEV) No prolonged infancies among us, please. We'll not tolerate babes in the woods, small children who are an easy mark for impostors. God wants us to **grow up**, to know the whole truth and tell it in love—like Christ in everything. We take our lead from Christ, who is the source of everything we do. He keeps us in step with each other. His very breath and blood flow through us, nourishing us so that we will grow up healthy in God, robust in love.

MIRACLE GROW = _____

1. COMMITMENT TO _____

2 Chronicles 16:9 (NIV) For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are **fully committed** to him.

Deuteronomy 30:20 (NLT) Choose to love the Lord your God and to obey him and **commit yourself to him**, for he is your life.

2. COMMITMENT TO _____

Titus 2:14 (NLT) He gave his life to free us from every kind of sin, to cleanse us, and to make us his very own people, **totally committed** to doing what is right.

3. COMMITMENT TO GOD'S _____

Deuteronomy 6:6-7 (NLT) And you must **commit yourselves** wholeheartedly to these commands I am giving you today. Repeat them again and again to your children. Talk about them when you are at home and when you are away on a journey, when you are lying down and when you are getting up again.

4. COMMITMENT TO GOD'S _____

1 Corinthians 9:26 (LB) So I run straight to the goal **with purpose** in every step.

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Psalms 96:4 (CEV) The Lord is great and deserves our greatest praise! He is the only God worthy of **our worship**.

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Ephesians 2:19 (CEV) You Gentiles are no longer strangers and foreigners. You are citizens with everyone else **who belongs** to the family of God.

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1 Peter 2:2-3 (NIV) Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may **grow up** in your salvation, 3 now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.

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Ephesians 4:16 (NLT) Under his direction, the whole body is fitted together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts to grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.

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Matt 28:19-20 (ESV) Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.