



# Growing Together

## Discussion Guide

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Everyone has a beginning to their spiritual walk. But we should not stay in a state of spiritual infancy. God wants us to grow and to become mature. However, we can't grow and become all that God wants us to be without other believers. He uses us to grow each other.

### Jump Start

1. What is something you are much more skilled at now versus when you started?
2. Read [John 3:3-6](#), [1 Corinthians 3:1-2](#) and [1 Peter 2:1-3](#). When someone accepts Christ, they are considered “born again.” What does this imply for the beginning of a Christian’s walk? (Think: What does a baby’s life look like?) What are these passages pressing us to do with our new spiritual life?
3. Read [John 14:26](#) and [Ephesians 4:11-15](#). What are the two ways we grow in discipleship? How do each of these work?
4. Read [Matthew 18:19-20](#). What are the two promises in this passage? Where have you seen these to be true in your life?
5. Final Thought: We are better together. We can go faster and farther when we live life in fellowship with other believers. At The Cove Church, you find fellowship, and therefore discipleship, in three places: the weekly service, on a serving team, and in a Life Group. This idea for growing in spiritual maturity is from the biblical description of the New Testament church. If you are not growing, you are probably missing out in one or more of these areas. With your Life Group, discuss the areas you need growth, and what plan of action you can take to start growing in those areas. (Hint: if you are reading this, and you don't have a Life Group to discuss this with, that may be the place to start!)

### Deeper

6. Read [Matthew 28:18-20](#) and [Acts 1:8](#). What three things does Matthew say Jesus instructed us to do? What promise and tool does Jesus give us to accomplish this?
7. Read [Hebrews 10:24-25](#). What three things does this passage instruct? What is the significance of the word “habit” here? How does stirring and encouraging each other to love, good works, and growth actually work?

8. Read [Acts 2:42-47](#). Fellowship is important to discipleship. Highlight the words or phrases in this passage that indicate believers belong together. As you read and highlight, allow God to speak to you about how and where you need to grow in this area.

42 And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. 43 And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. 44 And all who believed were together and had all things in common. 45 And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. 46 And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, 47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved." Acts 2:42-47 (ESV)