

# OUR STRATEGY:

## Grow:

Put on your new nature, and be renewed as you learn to know your Creator  
and become like him. Colossians 3:10

### Strategy in Grow:

As we grow together, it is our hope and prayer that those who are growing are inspired to worship the one true God.

It is also our hope and prayer that those who are growing are inspired to acts of service to others in the name of Jesus.

### Scripture:

Psalm 119:66–72 I believe in your commands; now teach me good judgment and knowledge.  
<sup>67</sup> I used to wander off until you disciplined me; but now I closely follow your word. <sup>68</sup> You are good and do only good; teach me your decrees. <sup>69</sup> Arrogant people smear me with lies, but in truth I obey your commandments with all my heart. <sup>70</sup> Their hearts are dull and stupid, but I delight in your instructions. <sup>71</sup> My suffering was good for me, for it taught me to pay attention to your decrees. <sup>72</sup> Your instructions are more valuable to me than millions in gold and silver.



### *Demonstrated by:*

Disciplining ourselves to read and reflect on God's Word daily.

Discussing our thoughts and insights on Scripture and life with one another to strengthen our worship and service.

Remembering that Scripture is a gift given to us by God so that we can know Him and be guided by Him in our choices and relationships.





## Thoughts:

"I want to write a book so long that it will take the average person their whole life to read. It will be exactly the same length as the Bible."

— Jarod Kintz

"The Bible is the cradle wherein Christ is laid."

— Martin Luther

"The Bible is the greatest of all books; to study it is the noblest of all pursuits; to understand it, the highest of all goals."

— Charles C. Ryrie

"A Bible that's falling apart usually belongs to someone who isn't."

— Charles H. Spurgeon

"But for this book we could not know right from wrong."

— Abraham Lincoln

"My ground is the Bible. Yea, I am a Bible-bigot. I follow it in all things, both great and small."

— John Wesley

## Scripture continued:

Deuteronomy 4:9–10 "But watch out! Be careful never to forget what you yourself have seen. Do not let these memories escape from your mind as long as you live! And be sure to pass them on to your children and grandchildren. <sup>10</sup> Never forget the day when you stood before the Lord your God at Mount Sinai, where he told me, 'Summon the people before me, and I will personally instruct them. Then they will learn to fear me as long as they live, and they will teach their children to fear me also.'

Deuteronomy 17:18–20 "When he sits on the throne as king, he must copy for himself this body of instruction on a scroll in the presence of the Levitical priests. <sup>19</sup> He must always keep that copy with him and read it daily as long as he lives. That way he will learn to fear the Lord his God by obeying all the terms of these instructions and decrees. <sup>20</sup> This regular reading will prevent him from becoming proud and acting as if he is above his fellow citizens. It will also prevent him from turning away from these commands in the smallest way. And it will ensure that he and his descendants will reign for many generations in Israel.

Deuteronomy 31:12 Call them all together—men, women, children, and the foreigners living in your towns—so they may hear this Book of Instruction and learn to fear the Lord your God and carefully obey all the terms of these instructions.

## Reflections:

What was your best experience in a Bible study group?

How have you been impacted by the SOAP program?

Who might you talk with on a regular basis about your devotions?

