* Call to Worship

The Father

Is the cause, origin, and source of all things, visible as well as invisible.

The Son

Is the Word, the Wisdom, and the image of the Father.

The Holy Spirit

Is the eternal power and might, proceeding from the Father and the Son.

Opening Prayer

* Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! #323:1,3,4 (HFG)

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see. Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee; Perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea; Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

* O Worship the King

#336:1,2,4 (HFG)

O worship the King all glorious above, And gratefully sing His wonderful love; Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of His might and sing of His grace, Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space; His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail; Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end, Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend.

* Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

#253:1,3 (PH)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise Him, for He is your health and salvation! Come, all who hear; brothers and sisters, draw near; Join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper Your work and defend you; Surely His goodness and mercy shall daily attend you. Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, As with His love He befriends you.

Profession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1
What is your only comfort in life and in death?
That I am not my own,
but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—
to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.
He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.
He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven:
in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.
Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Redeemed #646:1,4 (HFG)

Redeemed – how I love to proclaim it! Redeemed by the blood of the Lamb; Redeemed through His infinite mercy, His child, and forever, I am.

Refrain: Redeemed, redeemed,
Redeemed, by the blood of the Lamb.
Redeemed, redeemed,
His child, and forever, I am.

I know I shall see in His beauty The King, in whose law I delight, Who lovingly guards every footstep And gives me a song in the night. *Refrain*

Offering: Al & Julie

Evening Prayer

* Sitting At The Feet of Jesus

#58:1,3 (HFG)

Sitting at the feet of Jesus,
Wondrous words I hear Him say!
Happy place! So near, so precious!
May it find me there each day.
Sitting at the feet of Jesus,
I reflect upon the past;
For His love has been so gracious,
It has won my heart at last.

Bless me, O my Father, bless me, All my inner life renew; Now look down in love upon me, Let me catch a glimpse of You. Give me, Lord, the mind of Jesus, Make me holy through His Word. May I prove I've been with Jesus, Been with Him, my risen Lord.

* **Scripture:** *II Peter 1:2-4 (ESV)*

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¹ May grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.
³ His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, ⁴ by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.

II Peter 3:17-18 (ESV)

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¹⁷ You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, take care that you are not carried away with the error of lawless people and lose your own stability. ¹⁸ But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: Grow in Grace and Knowledge of God

Prayer

* Sing to the Lord, Sing His Praise

#96:1,2,5 (PH)

Sing to the Lord, sing His praise all you peoples; New be your song as new honors you pay. Sing of His majesty, praise Him forever, Show His salvation from day to day.

Tell of his wondrous works, tell of his glory Till through the nations his name is revered. Praise and exalt him, for he is almighty; God over all, let the Lord be feared.

Say to the nations. "The Lord reigns forever." Earth is established as he did decree. Righteous and just is the King of the nations, Judging the peoples with equity.

* God's Blessing

* Take My Life and Let It Be

#288:1 (PH)

Take my life and let it be consecrated Lord, to thee. Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in endless praise, Let them flow in endless praise.

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Pastor: Robert W Music: Mike H

Offering: Al & Julie are serving in Belgium with Operation Mobilization (OM). OM is a mission organization working in over 100 countries to bring God's word to people who haven't heard it before. For more information, go to www.om.org.

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Grow in Grace and Knowledge of God

II Peter 1:2-4; II Peter 3:17-18

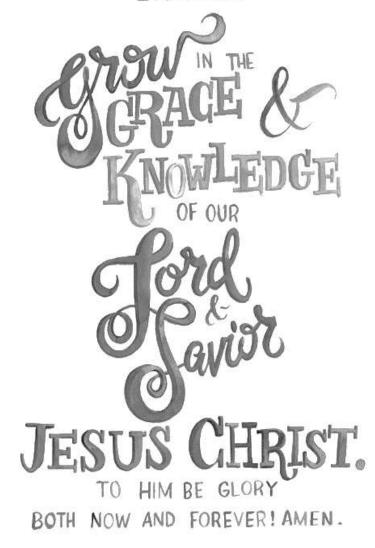
What does growing in grace and knowledge mean?

How do we grow in grace and knowledge?

What happens if we don't grow in grace and knowledge?

To Christ belongs all the glory now and forever.

2 PETER 3:18



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