ALL THINGS NEW

LIVING AS A CHILD OF GOD

Proper Perspective: Growing in Christlikeness

- Do you think that there is a "secret" to the Christian life that ends the struggle and makes life easy sailing?
- Have you resigned yourself to failure as a Christian because it seems too hard to change?
- Have you chosen to embrace what being a disciple of Jesus means, someone consciously changing, learning how to think and act like Jesus Christ in every situation in life?
- When you become aware of a shortcoming in your life, do you treat it as a great crisis, either to excuse or to despair over or to seek instantaneous perfection and deliverance from?

Study the following passages of Scripture and ask yourself these questions about each: James 1:2-5, Philippians 1:6, 1:9-11, 2:12-13, 2 Peter 1:3-11

- · What is life like?
- What promises does this hold out, both for the present and for the future?
- Is this your view of the Christian life? Where are you challenged? How are you encouraged?
- How specifically do you need to change?

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