

**Growing
In
Christ**



Be Like Jesus — Purpose of Our Creation

“Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness...”

²⁷ So God created man in his own image,
in the image of God he created him;
male and female he created them. (Genesis 1:26,27)



The Object of Spiritual Growth

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²⁹ For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. (Romans 8:29)



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Be Like Jesus — Purpose of Our Creation

Be Like Jesus — Purpose of Our Salvation

“We all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. This is comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.” (2 Cor. 3:18)



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Be Like Jesus — Purpose of Our Creation

Be Like Jesus — Purpose of Our Salvation

Be Like Jesus — Goal of Our Glorification

“Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.”

(1 John 3:3)



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**Growing Will
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Connected to
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Benefits of Growing In Christ



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**Growing Will
Makes Us
A Strong
Church**

Benefits of Growing In Christ



1. Oh! to be like Thee, blessed Redeemer,
This is my constant longing and prayer;
Gladly I'll forfeit all of earth's treasures,
Jesus, Thy perfect likeness to wear.
2. Oh! to be like Thee, full of compassion,
Loving, forgiving, tender and kind,
Helping the helpless, cheering the fainting,
Seeking the wand'ring sinner to find.

3. Oh! to be like Thee, lowly in spirit,
Holy and harmless, patient and brave;
Meekly enduring cruel reproaches,
Willing to suffer, others to save.

4. Oh! to be like Thee, Lord, I am coming,
Now to receive th' anointing divine;
All that I am and have I am bringing,
Lord, from this moment all shall be Thine.
my heart.

Refrain:

Oh! to be like Thee, oh! to be like Thee,
Blessed Redeemer, pure as Thou art;
Come in Thy sweetness, come in Thy fullness;
Stamp Thine own image deep on my heart.