

## ***Grow Up!***

Our world has many different ways to measure maturity. For some, it's being allowed to wear make-up at age 12 or getting your driver's license at 16. In the USA, you can vote and join the army at age 18, but you can't legally drink until you are 21. Some cultures have a special celebration like a Bar Mitzvah to mark crossing this milestone of maturity. Of course, just because you've "come of age" doesn't mean that you've genuinely matured. There are plenty of 30, 40 & even 60 year olds who still have a lot of growing up to do.

The same could be said of many Christians! Remember those marks your mom made on the wall as she measured you to see how much taller you had grown since the last time? Each mark measured growth. In the same way, God is constantly measuring the growth of our souls. He is looking for progress. To grasp what that ongoing growth looks like, we need only look at the opening verses of 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter, chapter 1.

### **"Zero Hour For The Soul"**

**Text:** 2 Peter 1:3-4 (pg 903)

**Big Idea:** WORK OUT WHAT GOD'S WORKING IN

(Sermon Notes)

Peter's strategy for spiritual growth includes developing the discipline of working out with God's divine power & precious promises to strengthen our inner person & win the internal battle that we all wrestle with...

## **(1) THE BATTLE WE ALL FACE**

**Starts On The I\_\_\_\_\_**

**With T\_\_\_\_\_ Desires**

**That B\_\_\_\_\_ The Soul**

**And D\_\_\_\_\_ Our Future**

## **(2) GOD PROVIDES WHAT HE KNOWS WE NEED**

**Through The D\_\_\_\_\_ Of Working Out**

**His Divine P\_\_\_\_\_ & And Precious P\_\_\_\_\_**

**Into Our I\_\_\_\_\_ Life**

**So We E\_\_\_\_\_ The G\_\_\_\_\_ Of His Life In Us**

**M\_\_\_\_\_ & M\_\_\_\_\_, Both Now & Forever**