“Growing Up in Our Salvation”

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1 Peter 1:22-2:3

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Introduction:

A. Who is the most famous kid who never wanted to grow up? ______ _____

B. “Growing ______ is compulsory, Growing ______ is optional.”

C. It is God’s will that we ______ _____ in our salvation.

I. Command #1: Develop a Clear ______. (1:13)

A. This command has three parts:
   1. Peter gives us an ancient image - “gird up the loins of your ______” - be alert, get ready, tuck in your robe.
   2. Peter gives us a second image - “be ______” - don’t be like a drunk who has not control over their thoughts or actions.
   3. Focus on your blessed ________ - God’s grace at His coming.

II. Command #2: Develop a Clean ______. (1:14-16)

A. Peter begins with a significant phrase - “as ___________ children.”

B. On the negative side, there is something we are trying to __________.

C. On the positive side, there is something we are trying to __________.

III. Command #3: Develop a _________ _______ (1:17-21)

A. To fear the Lord means that we have reverence, ______, and respect toward God.

B. Peter added a second motive for obedience - the nature of _________.

IV. Command #4: Develop a Sincere _______ (1:22-25)

A. This command continues with the same “_______/_______” formula.

B. The foundation of our love is our ______ ________ in God’s family.

V. Command #5: Develop a Spiritual ________ (2:1-3)

A. Spiritual milk refers to the things that nourish Christians in their growth: including; Knowledge of God through the ______, prayer, fellowship, and faithful ______.

B. Now that we have tasted that the Lord is ______, we should want to eat all the ______.

Conclusion:

A. How sad is it to see people who are old in ______, but young in ________.

B. It’s even more tragic for a person to refuse to grow up ____________.

C. Let’s not be like Peter Pan, let’s want to grow up like our brother ________.