

# Am I growing with Jesus too?



As a **baby**, I needed dad and mom for everything - to feed me, to change me, to carry me from place to place.

When I ask Jesus to forgive me of my sins and live in my heart, I begin to grow in Him and am like a **baby** Christian. I need to be fed God's Word. My thoughts and attitudes change as I grow up.

My main concern is ME! 😊 I need food and lots of attention.

I can smile and let others know I am happy.

As a "baby" in Christ, I can tell others about Jesus.



As a **toddler**, I am learning many things, like sharing. I like to do some things on my own.

As a "**toddler**" in Christ, I am learning more about Jesus and telling others what I know. When I fall, I know Jesus still loves and forgives me. (1 John 1:9)

I just started walking. Sometimes, I fall down, but it's fun to learn and grow.

I know that when I am walking with Jesus, He is always there.  
Hebrews 13:5

My main concern is still ME! 😊 I want what I want and may not care too much about others feelings. Sometimes, I don't share even though I can.



As a **child**, my learning is multiplying. I can do more and more on my own and am learning how to work together with others.

As a "**child**" in Christ, I am learning to grow through personal Bible reading and prayer. I am also learning how I can help others.



A main concern is making friends. I like to show others what I have learned and what I can do. I love to receive praise.

I love to teach those who are younger than me the things I am learning.

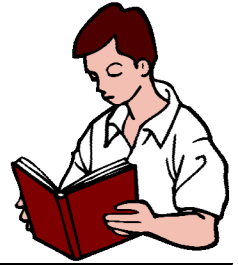
I can share my faith and teach others what it means to be a child of God.





As a **young person**, I am learning about working as part of a team for a common goal or purpose.

As a **“young man”** in Christ, I want to learn more and study God’s Word. (2 Timothy 2:15) I want to help others learn more about God’s Word too.



My main concern is helping others work together.

I can show others how to do the things I know how to do well.	As a “young man ” in Christ, I can show others how to serve.
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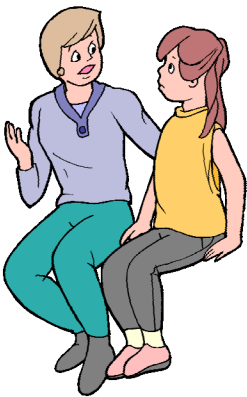


Now that I am a **parent**, I want to take care of my child. I want to train and protect him as he grows.

As a **“spiritual parent”**, I feel responsibility to help my “spiritual child” grow from a baby to a godly leader. I want to train my child to follow the Lord. (Proverbs 22:6)

My main concern is caring for and protecting my newborn baby.

I change diapers, feed and nurture my baby as he is not able to care for himself yet.	As a “spiritual parent ”, I want to protect this baby in Christ and nurture his love for Christ.
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As a **parent of a growing child**, I want to encourage his interests and abilities as well as show him how to do different things he needs to learn as he grows.

As a **“spiritual parent with a child”**, I want my growing child to become more like Jesus. I will show him how to grow in Christ by studying the Bible together, praying and spending time with other Christians. I encourage him to share what he has learned about Jesus.

My main concern is to help my child to continue to grow and become like me.

I show my growing child how to live and work with other people. I want him to act like a young adult.	As a “spiritual parent with a child”, I want to see my child grow to be like his Savior Jesus Christ.
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