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Where can I grow in the Lord

2Timothy 3:5* Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

The local church in this modern day, offers entertainment, called worship. It offers gatherings, now this comes in several forms, suppers, Sunday Service and interaction between people. Now all these are very important to our growth, the bible says:

Hebrews 10:25* Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

Now these are all necessary to grow in social righteousness.

BUT Spiritually you will grow in the Lord, way faster, by joining your bible study groups where 10 or 15 people join together to openly read and discuss the word of God. Not everyone will totally agree, but you do get two or three different opinions and **IF YOU trust** the Holy Spirit to be the ultimate teacher, you will get the answers to what you have been praying about or pondering in your heart (mind),

2Corinthians 13:1* This is the third time I am coming to you. In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established.

Now unfortunately, most church goers figure the pastor or some bible theologian has to teach these home studies.

NOT TRUE, the Lord is not interested in our ability but rather our availability. The early church (body of Christ) only had the Holy Spirit to equip them, (oh if it were so now.) but unfortunately, man relies on man, especially in our country. They (the people) say that after all God created Drs; no more than he created mechanics or truck drivers, they are all of God, including the pastor. A novice should never be set in leadership.

1Timothy 3:5-6 (For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?)

6* Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into

the condemnation of the devil.

1Corinthians 14:26* How is it then, brethren? when ye come together, every one of you hath a psalm, hath a doctrine, hath a tongue, hath a revelation, hath an interpretation. **Let all things be done unto edifying.**

This IS NOT saying what the religious order is teaching, BUT rather share the things God has taught you pertaining to what your studying.

There are (believe it or not) preachers on TV that are good, just to name a few I listen to: Mark Hughes, John Hagee, Andrew Wommack, Jimmy Swaggart and Jack Van Impe. There are also good testimonial books out there. The main thing, if you are sincere in growing in the Lord, ASK GOD.

Hebrews 12:2* **Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith;** who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

John 14:13-15 And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

14 **If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.**

15* **If ye love me, keep my commandments.**

There are good churches out there, don't be afraid to look.

If you want further teaching on this, go to our web and #5 on the question & answer page.

God Bless
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