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**Growing Up Christian You! A Christian Girl's Guide to Growing Up Growing Up Christian Be Mature (James) Your Relationship with God Dr Christian's Guide to Growing Up (new Edition) Growing Up into the Children of God Growing Up Religious Growing Up Christian Growing Up Protestant Growing in Christ Dr Christian's Guide to Growing Up Online (Hashtag: Awkward) Growing Up Pentecostal Growing Up God's Way for Girls Practice Resurrection Growing Up in Christ Growing Up Church of Christ The Dangers of Growing Up in a Christian Home Growing Up The Dangers of Growing Up in a Christian Home The Giant Forest How Faith Matures Following My Path Like Dew Your Youth Growing Up Spiritually Growing Up Social This Changes Everything Screen Kids Whatever You Grow Up to Be The Wiersbe Bible Study Series: James Growing Up Holy & Wholly Growing Up (revised) Growing Up Catholic: The Millennium Edition Growing Up With Jessica Growing Up to God Growing Up God's Way for Boys Growing Up in God's Family What Every Christian Should Know about Growing Rapture Practice Grown-up Faith**

David Newman reflects on what it means for Christians to grow to be mature members of the body of Christ, with faith in a God who acts and themselves actively engaged in the church and the world. If you are serious about being a disciple of Jesus Christ—really, truly serious—a discipleship group can help you achieve that goal. Jesus established this model for us by forming and leading the first discipleship group—and it worked. The men who emerged from that group took the gospel to the world and ultimately laid down their lives for Christ. Discipleship groups can create an atmosphere for fellowship, encouragement, and accountability—building an environment where God can work. In *Growing Up: How to Be a Disciple Who Makes Disciples*, Robby Gallaty presents a practical, easy-to-implement system for growing in one's faith. This guide offers a manual for making disciples, addressing the what, why, where, and how of discipleship. D-Groups, as Gallaty calls them, can teach you and others how to grow your relationship with God, how to defend your faith, and how to guide others in their relationships with God. *Growing Up* provides you with an interactive manual and resource for creating and working with discipleship groups, allowing you to gain positive information both for yourself and for others as you learn how to help others become better disciples for Christ. As he did in his bestselling book "The DNA of Relationships," Smalley provides readers with insight and answers to their relationship with God, but this time he opens up about his own personal struggles and gives outlines the six daily habits that he learned to stay connected with God. Has Technology Taken Over Your Home? In this digital age, children spend more time interacting with screens and less time playing outside, reading a book, or interacting with family. Though technology has its benefits, it also has its harms. In *Screen Kids* Gary Chapman and Arlene Pellicane will empower you with the tools you need to make positive changes. Through stories, science, and wisdom, you'll discover how to take back your home from an overdependence on screens. Plus, you'll learn to teach the five A+ skills that every child needs to master: affection, appreciation, anger management, apology, and attention. Learn how to: Protect and nurture your child's growing brain Establish simple boundaries that make a huge difference Recognize the warning signs of gaming too much Raise a child who won't gauge success through social media Teach your child to be safe online This newly revised edition features the latest research and interactive assessments, so you can best confront the issues technology create in your home. Now is the time to equip your child with a healthy relationship with screens and an even healthier relationship with others. Rev. Hagin compares stages of spiritual growth to those of physical growth. It will help you locate where you are spiritually and then show you how to grow into the next stage of spiritual development. Imagine growing up in small Indiana towns in the 1940s in a very strict religious family and then realizing at the age of six that there was something sexually wrong with you. You had no name for it, and you didn't really understand it, but you knew it all the same. By the time you were seven and eight years old, you heard adults talk about sexual perversion and teenagers using the terms faggot or queer as if they were describing the plague. But you knew deep inside it was you they were talking about! Then skip forward a few years when you felt compelled to find someone else like you. You knew you couldn't be the only one, and you didn't think you could survive on erotic dreams or daydreaming. And so you began to sexually experiment with older men who called themselves queer, but you knew it didn't describe you. Then, at age seventeen, you found yourself in your first small gay bar, where you finally discovered you weren't the only one like you on this planet! But when your mother discovered you'd been invited to a gay party, she told you that you would burn in hell if you didn't become heterosexual. And that was just the beginning. *Following My Path* is the true account of the author discovering who he was and all the things that happened along the way. Some of the things are serious, and some are funny, but all are interesting and vital to understanding what many gay people have had to endure. Reading *Following My Path* may: \* change your mind

about whether being gay is a choice or not; \* make you see gay people differently and with more understanding, particularly those who are older and in the closet longer; \* teach you to love your children unconditionally, even if there are parts of them you can't understand or accept; \* teach you not to lay guilt trips on your children; and \* teach gay LGBT people not to leave God out of their lives, as we, too, are made in his image, and he wants us to lead happy and fulfilling lives. Following My Path is the authors confirmation in his belief in God and his comfort with being an outed, gay Christian. Takes the reader on a theological trip through the human life cycle from birth to death. Rev. ed. of: Growing up with your teenager. Includes bibliographical references. Why isn't life everything we expected it to be? And why doesn't our faith resolve our frustrations and problems? Kevin Myers, the founding pastor of 12Stone Church, a congregation of more than 30,000 active attenders near Atlanta, believes the reason we don't experience a transformed life is that we fail to grow up spiritually. We focus on developing physically, intellectually, emotionally, and financially, yet our faith remains immature and anemic. In this powerful new book, Myers offers a deep yet simple roadmap to a grown-up faith through understanding the whole context of the Bible, developing spiritual intimacy with God, and gratefully embracing holy obedience. As you understand the Bible and the big picture of God's story with humanity, you begin to find answers to life's most compelling questions. As you begin to understand God more, your longing and ability to experience spiritual intimacy with him increases, as does your desire to obey what God asks of you and your ability to follow through. This is the way to the bigger life, a life even better than you expected--or even dreamed possible. How Faith Matures is a follow-up to C. Ellis Nelson's classic work, Where Faith Begins. Extending and developing the insights of that earlier volume, How Faith Matures proposes an alternative to the church school and presents a model that church professionals can apply to improve education in their church communities. In this Bible study guide, Charles Swindoll addresses spiritual growth, examining each of the stages to discover where we are and how we can progressively keep moving in the right direction. "How can a Christian home be dangerous? When it is based on legalistic practices and demands strict compliance with no consideration for a child's feelings. This highly controlled environment interferes with normal child development because it prevents children from learning how to think for themselves and to experience their emotions. Out of their fear and concern, well-meaning conservative Christian parents and church leaders have used the Cross as a club to scare children into the Kingdom and motivate them to serve Christ. The focus is on avoiding the "Master List" of sins, not personal growth. This approach is especially damaging to those with sensitive personalities who tend to take everything in life seriously. The more outgoing self-assured persons are able to blunt the scare tactics, so they struggle differently from their sensitive siblings. Using the DISC system, the author describes various personality and behavioral styles to illustrate the differences. With personal experiences and stories from damaged Christians, the author describes these dangers and uses psychological/spiritual insights to explain how individuals can work through these issues and retain their essential faith. Learn how Christians can find answers that work without throwing God out of their lives" ... an insightful look at life inside a conservative evangelical community--the Church of Christ. Growing up in a big church in a small town, Mike's thoughts and stories come from his unique perspective as the son of a famous preacher. Some of his memories are fond and some are, naturally, conflicted ... a memory book that eventually leads to a crossroad: remain in the church of one's outh or take strides in a different direction?"--Back cover. My name is Jaquelle, and I'm a teenager. I like football movies, sushi, and dark chocolate. But the biggest, most crucial, most significant thing about me is that my life's task is to follow Jesus. He is the One who changed my life. That's what this book is about. It's for teenagers eager to reject the status quo and low standards our culture sets for us. It's for those of us who don't want to spend the adolescent years slacking off, but rather standing out and digging deep into what Jesus says about following him. This book will help you see how the truth about God changes everything--our relationships, our time, our sin, our habits, and more--freeing us to live joyful, obedient, and Christ-exalting lives, even while we're young. In this fun and interactive book from bestselling author Nancy Rue, all the questions girls 8 to 12 ask about their changing bodies and growing up are answered, along with advice and health tips designed to help you become the confident, beautiful young woman God created you to be. Whether you're noticing new curves and hair growing where it never did before, or feel like your emotions are always on the surface, you likely have a lot of questions about what is going on inside you ... and what it means. No matter how big the question or how embarrassing it may sound, Nancy Rue is here with answers. Inside You! A Christian Girl's Guide to Growing Up, you'll discover: honest answers to your changing-body questions health and beauty tips quizzes and journaling space to help you figure out where you are in your puberty journey medical and spiritual facts on the things you wonder about advice from girls like you who have been where you are Most importantly, you'll discover the true beauty that is revealed as you grow closer to God, and all the things you're going through are actually part of his plan for the beautiful, confident, grown-up you! You! A Christian Girl's Guide to Growing Up: can be used as a supplement to school health classes looks at puberty from a Christian perspective helps make adolescence understandable and manageable for young girls features a conversational tone and fun features In this Mini Book Mike describes the normal pattern of growth necessary for a healthy Christian life. "Ten little toes right from the start Make footprints on your mommy's heart!" The timeless journey of a mother and son is poignantly captured in the story of a boy's growth from childhood to fatherhood. From birth to football

games to college graduation, a mother reminds her son that life is filled with possibilities and that God has a plan for him—whatever he grows up to be! The powerful message of James' letter to the church is as relevant today as when he originally wrote it—though it is still as challenging to hear. Many of our problems in life stem from our own spiritual immaturity. However, our spiritual life doesn't end there; God has more planned for us. He wants us to grow up, not just grow old. Written in a personal, easy-to-understand style, join Dr. Warren Wiersbe, trusted pastor and respected Bible teacher, as he leads you on a journey to opening your mind and heart to the riches of God in the Wiersbe Bible Study Series. This perennial best-selling discipleship tool contains the classic Bible studies Lessons on Assurance and Lessons on Christian Living in one package—13 lessons in all! These Navigator Bible studies are a great leader's resource to explain the fundamentals of the Christian life. An ideal gift for a new believer or someone who has an interest in Jesus. Tear-out Scripture memory verse cards are included in KJV, NIV, NASB, and NKJV. Home and family are key, yet relatively unexplored, dimensions of religion in the contemporary United States. American cultural lore is replete with images of saintly nineteenth-century American mothers and their children. During the twentieth century, however, the form and function of the American family have changed radically, and religious beliefs have evolved under the challenges of modernity. As these transformations took place, how did religion manage to "fit" into modern family life? In this book, Margaret Lamberts Bendroth examines the lives and beliefs of white, middle-class mainline Protestants (principally northern Presbyterians, Baptists, Methodists, and Congregationalists) who are theologically moderate or liberal. Mainliners have pursued family issues for most of the twentieth century, churning out hundreds of works on Christian childrearing. Bendroth's book explores the role of family within a religious tradition that sees itself as America's cultural center. In this balanced analysis, the author traces the evolution of mainliners' roles in middle-class American culture and sharpens our awareness of the ways in which the mainline Protestant experience has actually shaped and reflected the American sense of self. Aimi longs to have close and lasting friends. Will her adventures at church camp help her build enduring friendships? Eleven-year-old Aimi is great at making friends. But maintaining those friendships? That's way harder. She hopes she can crack the secret code to finding a new lifelong BFF. When her parents send her to church camp, Aimi prays she will find beautiful new friendships. However, on the very first night, she gets lost in the giant forest where danger lurks behind every tree. Aimi must bravely travel through the woods to find her way back to safety. Along the way, she has some quite unexpected encounters. Will Aimi's adventures at church camp teach her the true meaning of friendship? The Giant Forest is the exciting first book in the Growing Up Aimi middle grade fiction series. If you like honest characters, fun twists, and Christian themes, then you'll love father-daughter writing duo Bill & Mia Belew's wonderful tale. Buy first-in-series, The Giant Forest, and come grow up with Aimi. Inspiring true story. Tragedy. Mystery. Written in a clear and passionate style. You will ride the roller coaster of tragedy, love, hope and faith and emerge touched and inspired. [Wuthnow] provides a unique window into the religious psyche of ordinary Americans. --Zachary Karabell, Los Angeles Times Memories of religious experiences remain in our minds like few others. In Growing Up Religious, Robert Wuthnow—"the most informed and insightful commentator on American religion today" (Harvey Cox)—follows the lives of ordinary people to see how their childhood experiences inform both their adult sense of spirituality and their relation to issues of faith and tradition. Dr Christian Jessen tells it like it is, in this upfront and unashamed companion to growing up. Coming to the rescue of parents, boys and girls, Dr Christian is ready to answer all their questions about adolescence, sexuality and puberty. In his assured, no-nonsense fashion, he allays the fears and uncertainties of growing youngsters (and helps parents find answers) about puberty, sex, personal and emotional health and body image. Addressing all those cringey questions parents squirm at answering, Dr Christian's sensible, light-hearted advice guides boys and girls on the path to be coming healthy, happy adults. Covering issues such as: puberty, diet, sex, sexuality, self-esteem/body image, personal health, emotional health and bullying. Dr Christian's Guide to Growing Up Online' takes a social-media style tour through such wide-ranging topics as health, puberty, anxiety, gender, sexuality, stress, grief and any difficult questions in between. Young people who grow up in church seem to offer great potential for the future of Christianity. Yet often that potential goes unfulfilled. Some give up on Christian faith altogether. Many more give up on church. Others persevere with both faith and church. And yet others return after a time away. So what makes the difference? John Bowen suggests some of the answers to such questions. He has surveyed several hundred young people who "grew up Christian," and retells their stories about how growing up and leaving home affected their faith-stories that are often poignant, sometimes hilarious, and always insightful. This book offers helpful lessons for pastors, youth workers and parents who want to know how to help their young people to stay in church and in faith. What kind of church--and what kind of Christianity--do young people want and need? And can the existing church provide it? John P. Bowen is Associate Professor of Evangelism at Wycliffe College, University of Toronto, and Director of the Wycliffe College Institute of Evangelism. His other books include "Evangelism for Normal People" and "The Spirituality of Narnia: The Deeper Magic of C. S. Lewis." Becoming Yourself Within the Faiths Is it possible that God wants me to be myself? For many Christians, the answer is On!OOWhere is the balance? The Bible says I am supposed to love my neighbor as myself, but I am also supposed to crucify myself? How am I supposed to care about myself and want to crucify myself?O (Christian woman in therapy)Growing Up Holy &

Wholly will show you: \*How sincere Christians teach children a damaging belief system without realizing how destructive it is to the child? s self\* Why being Holy O can interfere with being a whole person \*Certain personalities are more vulnerable to the rule-bound beliefs\* How to make sense of the confusion you feel about yourself \*Steps to take in being yourself and keeping your faith

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### *Growing up God's way for Boys* is a colourful, fully illustrated book available as separate versions for boys and girls. It is intended for children approaching or experiencing puberty, typically represented by the 10-14 years old age range. The artwork has been specially produced for the book and includes accurate biological drawings as well as 'cartoon' illustrations to keep the young reader interested. Most importantly of all, the Bible is the constant reference point, so that what the Bible has to say about the matters dealt with is always front and centre. The result is that this book conveys essential biblical ethical teaching as well as the facts about puberty. For example, here's an extract from the teaching on the chapter on 'Physical Intimacy' (in this case in the girls version): So special that God has given us rules it might seem attractive to live in a world where there are no laws. (Of course it would mean that your parents would never be able to tell you that you were doing something wrong!) But have you ever thought what would happen if there were no laws about how we should drive a car? The laws of the road make it safe for us to drive. If there were none, many more people on the road would get injured and driving would be a very frightening experience. God has given us a law regarding how we relate to the opposite sex in sexual intimacy. This law is the seventh of the Ten Commandments: 'You shall not commit adultery' (Exodus 20:14). From this verse and other passages in the Bible, we learn that all sexual activity outside marriage is wrong. The word adultery means either being married and experiencing sexual intimacy with someone who is not your husband, or experiencing sexual intimacy with someone else's husband. In the New Testament, God warns us to 'flee from sexual immorality' (1 Corinthians 6:18). The term 'sexual immorality' includes any sexual activity that is not between a husband and his wife. The fact that God has given us a specific command to keep sexual intimacy for marriage shows how important God considers sexual intimacy to be. The husband and wife are important to Him, their marriage is important to Him, and the new life that may result from sexual intimacy is important to Him. God's law about sexual intimacy is for our safety and well-being - it protects us, it protects marriage, and it protects young life. Many teens are active in church youth programs, yet drop out of church later in life and never return. Other young adults rest on the merits of their parents' faith without ever experiencing their own relationship with Jesus Christ. In this book, the authors seek to help teenagers who have grown up in Christian homes by reminding them of the blessings of growing up in a Christian home, warning them of some of the dangers they face, providing practical suggestions for avoiding these dangers, and urging them to think and live in a way that pleases God. *Growing up God's way for Girls* is a colourful, fully illustrated book available as separate versions for boys and girls. It is intended for children approaching or experiencing puberty, typically represented by the 10-14 years old age range. The artwork has been specially

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Given the way culture and family influence the rising generation, Part 2 outlines a strategy for nurturing disciples that capitalizes on the persuasive power of the congregation in fellowship, worship, and instruction. A detailed discussion guide further assists congregations who wish to form a study group to assess and improve their Christian education. A poignant and funny memoir that explores growing up in a Fundamentalist Christian family while questioning one's faith, identity, and place in the world. Sometimes salvation is found in the strangest places: a true story. Aaron Hartzler grew up in a home where he was taught that at any moment the Rapture could happen. That Jesus might come down in the twinkling of an eye and scoop Aaron and his family up to heaven. As a kid, Aaron was thrilled by the idea that every moment of every day might be his last one on planet Earth. But as Aaron turns sixteen, he finds himself more attached to his earthly life and curious about all the things his family forsakes for the Lord. He begins to realize he doesn't want the Rapture to happen just yet—not before he sees his first movie, stars in the school play, or has his first kiss. Eventually Aaron makes the plunge from conflicted do-gooder to full-fledged teen rebel. Whether he's sneaking out, making out, or playing hymns with a hangover, Aaron learns a few lessons that can't be found in the Bible. He discovers that the best friends aren't always the ones your mom and dad approve of, and the tricky part about believing is that no one can do it for you. In this funny and heartfelt coming-of-age memoir, debut author Aaron Hartzler recalls his teenage journey to find the person he is without losing the family that loves him. It's a story about losing your faith and finding your place and your own truth—which is always stranger than fiction. Winner of Christianity Today's 2011 award for best book in spirituality Though bringing people to new birth in Christ through evangelism is essential, says Eugene Peterson, isn't growth in Christ equally essential? Yet the American church by and large does not treat Christian maturity and character formation with much urgency. In *Practice Resurrection* Peterson brings the voice of Scripture -- especially Paul's letter to the Ephesians -- and the voice of the contemporary Christian congregation together to unpack the crucial truth of what it means to fully grow up to the "stature of Christ."

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