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## ***MADE TO BE GROWING***

2 Corinthians 5:1-10

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Pastor Todd said, “Imminent death brings clarity to what's important in life.” Why do near death experiences cause people to think about what’s most important in living?

### ***Dig In!***

I’m a growing Christian if...

#### **I aim for more than what this world offers (5:1; Luke 8:14)**

- The goal at Harvest is a quality of discipleship and not a quantity of disciples. Why is what you’re aiming for in life an accurate indicator of your spiritual quality?
- When do good goals become distractions to growing spiritually?

#### **I embrace hardship as part of the process (5:2-4)**

- Groaning is part of the dissatisfaction with life as we wait for Christ to return. How can we give glory to God through the trials that cause us pain?

#### **I recognize my need for the Spirit’s ongoing work (5:5; Galatians 5:22-23)**

- In terms of Christ-like character, what is the Spirit growing in you? How are you cooperating with the Spirit in this?

#### **I show increasing evidence of courageous faith (5:6-7; Hebrews 11:6)**

- In your own words, what does it mean to “walk by faith and not by sight?” Where might this apply for you?
- Hebrews 11:6 says we need faith to please God. What faithful activities are you engaged in now that prove your trust in God?

#### **I am compelled by the coming judgment (5:8-10)**

- How do the Scriptures help us prepare to be judged by Christ?

### ***Break Out!***

- Think about how you spent your time and money this last week. What does this reveal about your investment in spiritual growth?
- Are there any overwhelming concerns for you that may be preventing further spiritual growth? If so, how can we pray with you and help this week?