

## CHRIST PROVIDES GRACE FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

**Introduction:** Spiritual growth is experienced in one's heart by the grace of Christ, not by the performance of religious rituals or by the outward observance of laws. These are inferior to the grace of Christ for a Christian's spiritual growth. However, the flow of Christ's grace can be stopped by sin. It must be confessed and forsaken for Christian growth to be resumed once again.

**Aim of the Lesson:** To know what a Christian should do to maintain spiritual growth.

**Memory Verse:** "Grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be glory both now and forever. Amen" (2 Pet 3:18).

**Outline of the Lesson and Questions to Answer:** Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

### Hindrances for Christian Growth – 5:11-14

1. You are d\_\_\_\_\_ (lazy) of hearing – 5:11
2. You ought to be t\_\_\_\_\_ – 5:12
3. Every one that uses m\_\_\_\_\_ is unskillful in the word of righteousness – 5:13

### Basic Grace for Christian Growth – 6:1-3

4. The foundation of r\_\_\_\_\_ from dead works, and f\_\_\_\_\_ toward God – 6:1
5. The doctrine of b\_\_\_\_\_ and the l\_\_\_\_\_ of h\_\_\_\_\_ – 6:2
6. (The doctrine) of r\_\_\_\_\_ of the dead, and of eternal j\_\_\_\_\_ – 6:2

**Sin that Stops Christian Growth – 6:4-8.** Do not fail to grow by God's grace [See graphic on the next page.]

7. Name five things said about believers that stopped growing – 6:4-5. They were once e\_\_\_\_\_; t\_\_\_\_\_ the heavenly gift; made p\_\_\_\_\_ of the Holy Spirit; t\_\_\_\_\_ the good Word of God; and the p\_\_\_\_\_ of the world to come.
8. What is impossible for Christians to do that fall? (6:4, 6) To r\_\_\_\_\_ them again to r\_\_\_\_\_ while [seeing] they (are) crucify(ing) to themselves the Son of God, and put(ing) Him to an open s\_\_\_\_\_. [They crucify Christ and put Him to shame when they join those who reject His grace for salvation.]
9. But grace is available. In Galatians 6:1 the noun for "fall" is translated "fault." What is to be done for this person overtaken in a fault? You who are spiritual, r\_\_\_\_\_ such a one in a spirit of meekness.
10. James 5:19-20 says, Brethren, if any of you do e\_\_\_\_\_ from the truth, and one c\_\_\_\_\_ him; Let him know that he which converts a sinner from the e\_\_\_\_\_ of his way, shall save a soul from d\_\_\_\_\_, and shall hide a m\_\_\_\_\_ of sins. (Also see 2 Samuel 12; 1 John 5:16; Jude 22-23.)
11. Compare fruit of the field in Heb 6:7-8 with the works of the believer in 1 Cor 3:12-15. The t\_\_\_\_\_ and b\_\_\_\_\_ of the field are burned like the worthless w\_\_\_\_\_ of the believer are burned, but the believer shall be s\_\_\_\_\_, yet so as by f\_\_\_\_\_.

**Encouragements for Christian Growth–6:9-20** – Tell how the grace of Christ encourages spiritual growth.

12. What does God remember that encourages believers? 6:9-10
13. Who are believers encouraged to follow? 6:12
14. Name two things God has done to encourage believers? 6:13-18
15. Tell how Jesus encourages believers as their Anchor, Forerunner and High Priest. 6:19-20

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# WE DENY GOD' WORD

Hebrews 5:11-6:8

**Related Words:**

*Pipto* – “to fall”

[Hebrews 4:11]

*Parapipto* – “to fall by the wayside” [Hebrews 6:6]

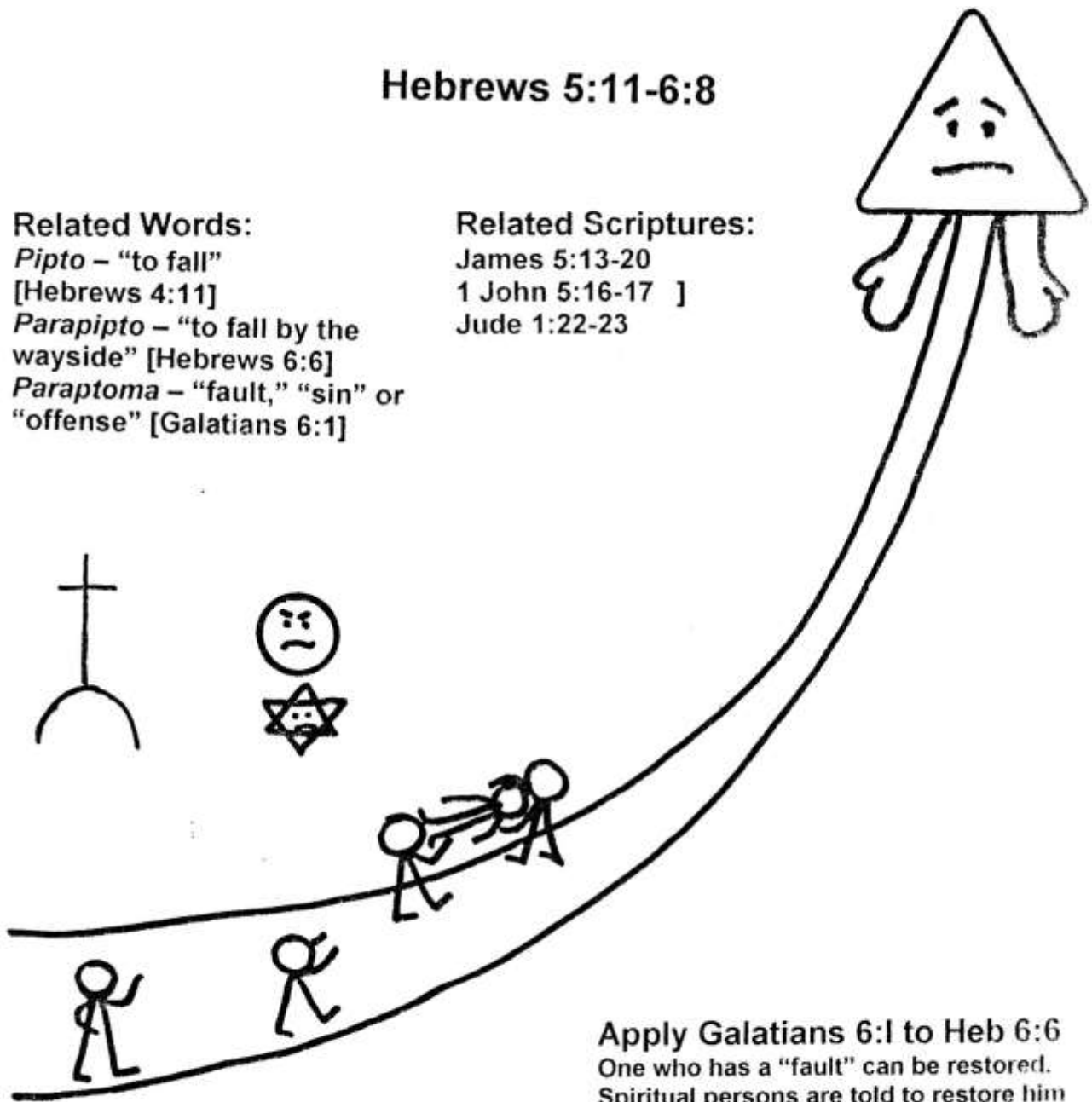
*Paraptoma* – “fault,” “sin” or “offense” [Galatians 6:1]

**Related Scriptures:**

James 5:13-20

1 John 5:16-17 ]

Jude 1:22-23



**Apply Galatians 6:1 to Heb 6:6**

One who has a “fault” can be restored. Spiritual persons are told to restore him with meekness or gentleness [James 5:16-18 also includes prayer]. This shows that a fallen believer can be restored.

**WHEN WE FAIL TO GROW BY HIS GRACE**