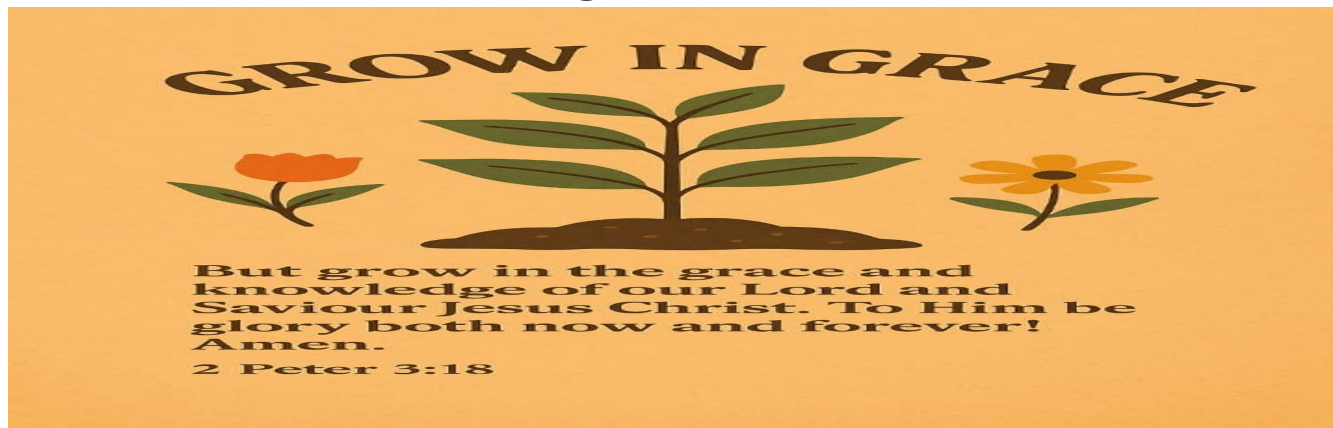


# OASIS: August 14 - 20, 2025



**"But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To Him be glory both now and forever! Amen." 2Peter 3:18 (NIV).**

This is Part 2 of the Meditation that we started on June 26, 2025. In that first Part we focused on the Grace of God within which Christians are commanded to **grow**. This week we will examine the **Knowledge** into which Christians **should grow**, and if it be the will of God, we will continue a focus on this all-important instruction and Injunction from the Lord through Apostle Peter, the unstable man through whom Jesus, the Head of the Church decided to start His Church in the future. So, **"grow in the ... Knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."** My dear friends, when we are building an organization or a house, it is NOT acceptable neither is it the practice to use Ignorant and Unskilled People, or REED or WHEAT for its foundation. I know this first-hand! But do you know or remember that Jesus had a WHEAT OR REED for the foundation of His Church. This is because He is the One who "... calleth those things which be not as though they were." [KJV]; "whose command brings into being what did not exist." [GNT]; "... and calls into being what does not yet exist." [BSB]; "and speaks of the nonexistent things that [He has foretold and promised] as if they [already] existed." [AMPC]. Jesus told Peter, **"Simon, Simon, satan demanded to have you, that he might sift you like wheat."** [Luke 22:31 ESV]. **LIKE WHEAT, and it was a DEMAND! Simon was like a reed or wheat that can be easily blown away before Jesus Changed him to Petra – Massive Rock, like the Rock of Gibraltar.**

Therefore, is it not surprising, even mind boggling that wheat should be used as a foundation of what should outlive the One setting up the Organization – The Church? That is how the Knowledge and Wisdom of God operates, such that what mere human beings think is foolish, is wisdom par excellence! Friend, this is the **"Knowledge"** that you are commanded to Grow in. It is not a proposition, or a suggestion, or request, **but a command**, and people, including Christians disobey to their destruction. Yes, to their destruction. It started from the Garden of Eden, and the world is still living in that disobedience, despite the Pains, Destructions, and death, all around us. And this is even despite the fact that the way of obedience has been declared and made plain to them. The reason? **People of the world think that they are more clever than their Maker, but their cleverness is from a darkened and confused mind, which has made them Utter Fools, given to them by satan.** The true and right Knowledge that you need, which Your Maker has commanded you to grow in, comes from Him alone. That Knowledge **liberates, defends, protects from the deceits and challenges of your main enemy, satan. And above all, that Knowledge gives you God's Approval, the Life Of Christ, and Eternity with Him.** Can there be anything to compare with this Knowledge? Hear God, "And this is the way to have eternal life – to know You, the Only True God, and Jesus Christ, the One You sent to earth."

Peter the wheat or sometimes referred to as Reed, became a Solid Rock, like the Rock of Gibraltar, because the One who called him make New things out of what does not exist, when there is OBEDIENCE. Noah obeyed, and not only saved himself and his family, but became the source of the continuation of life. Abraham obeyed, and became the father of many nations, and the Example of the Faith of God. Peter repented and obeyed, and helped to build the Church of Christ of which you are a member, if you truly believe and obey. **Therefore, OBEY the Command to Grow in the Knowledge of the Lord. Treating it carelessly attracts grave dangers. So, set your goals to grow as directed by God this week.**

**Have a Blessed, God-Centred and Victorious Week.**

**Further & Daily Readings: 2Peter 3:17-18; 1:1-3; 1Peter 2:1-10; Matthew 11:7; 16:18 [AMPC]; John 1:41-42; 17:3; Romans 1:21-23; 4:17; 2Timothy 2:14-17; 1John5:20; Proverbs 2:4-7; Genesis 3:4-8, 16-24; 6:7-8; 13-18; 17:5-6.**

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