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Luke 13:6-9

Then he told this parable: “A man had a fig tree growing in his vineyard, and he went to look for fruit on it but did not find any.

So he said to the man who took care of the vineyard, ‘For three years now I’ve been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and haven’t found any. Cut it down! Why should it use up the soil?’

“‘Sir,’ the man replied, ‘leave it alone for one more year, and I’ll dig around it and fertilize it. If it bears fruit next year, fine! If not, then cut it down.’”





1. Our Mission as the Church is to provide a safe environment for your family to **GROW** spiritually.

1 Samuel 2:26

And the boy Samuel continued to grow in **stature** and in **favor** with the LORD and with people.



The Ridge Babies (0-5)  
The Ridge Kids (Elementary School)  
Tween Class (Middle School)  
Sojourn Youth (Junior High & High School)  
Young Adults (19-35)  
Next Level (35-55)  
Young At Heart (55+)  
Man Church & Joy Fellowship (All Ages)



## **BUT!!! The Church cannot do it alone!**

Deuteronomy 6:6-7

And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart:

And **THOU** shalt teach them ***diligently unto thy children,*** and shalt talk of them when thou **sittest** in thine house, and when thou **walkest** by the way, and when thou **liest** down, and when thou **risest** up.



2. Our Mission as the Church is to help you **GROW** by Stretching You!

Hebrews 5:13-14

For every one that useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a **babe**.

But strong meat belongeth to them that are of **full age**, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.



Grow

**THERE IS NO COMFORT  
IN OUR GROWTH ZONE AND**

**NO GROWTH IN  
OUR COMFORT ZONE**





3. Our Mission as the Church is to help you **GROW** by equipping you for WORKS OF SERVICE!

Ephesians 4:11-16

So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup> to **equip** his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up

<sup>13</sup> until we all reach **unity in the faith** and in the **knowledge** of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

**Then we will no longer be infants**, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. <sup>15</sup> Instead, **speaking the truth in love**, we will **grow** to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. <sup>16</sup> From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, **grows and builds** itself up in love, as each part does its work.



4. Our Mission as the Church is to be a refuge of Spiritual Growth and agreement.

Matthew 18:19

“Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven.



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