

## 2 How can you grow in Christ?

Growth in Christ depends on developing both your vertical relationship with God and your horizontal relationship with people.



### Vertical relationship

Let's look first at how you can develop your relationship with God.

Communication is vital to any relationship, including your relationship with God. God communicates with you through the Bible, and you communicate with God through prayer.

### Bible

You can get to know God better by learning what He tells you in the Bible about Himself and how He relates to you.

Read Psalm 145:8,9. *What does God tell you about Himself in this passage?*

Read Psalm 25:8-11. *What does God tell you about how He relates to you?*

### Prayer

You can talk with God through prayer — sharing your thoughts, your needs and your desires.

Read Philippians 4:6,7. *What is God's solution to worry?*

*What are some things that you can be praying about?*

Read Psalm 28:6,7. *What should be the natural response of a person when God answers his prayers?*

Prayer helps you to grow in your relationship with Christ. As you express your appreciation to Him, share your heart with Him, and see His answers to your prayers, your faith and love will grow.