

DIGGING DEEPER PART 9: 7 TOOLS FOR GROWTH SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2020

TOOLS GOD USES TO GROW US

Sanctification can also use the following to grow us. Can you identify times in which God used them in your life?

1. temptation – Daily, perhaps?
2. tests/trials – What was the most significant one that you recall?
3. thorns – What issue do you live with daily that you cannot change? (Read again about Pauls' *thorn in the flesh*. (II Cor. 12.1-10) How does that help?
4. challenges – When was the last time God asked you to do something that initially you thought was impossible?
5. conflicts – Most families deal with conflicts in interpersonal relationships with other family members. Is that true in your family? If not, give thanks. If so, how are you dealing with those experiences?
6. loneliness – Have you ever experienced loneliness? What did you do to terminate it?
7. the discipline of a loving Father – How effective are you in discipling yourself? Do you feel the answer to that question influences the amount of discipline the loving heavenly Father has to administer to you?