SERMON **Colossians 4:7-18** Grow in Grace 3-25-2018 Trav Neumann

1:2 Grace to you. 4:18 Grace be with you.

**1. The REALITY of the Growing in Grace.**

**2 Cor 10:15**

But our hope is that as your **faith increases**…

**Eph 4:15**

We are to **grow up in every way** into him who is the head, into Christ…

**Phil 1:9**

It is my prayer that your love may **abound more and more**, with knowledge and all discernment…

**Col 1:10**

Walk in a manner worthy of the Lord …. Pleasing to Him….. **increasing in the knowledge of God**…

**1 Thess 3:13**

May the Lord make you **increase and abound in love for one another….**

**1 Thes 4:1** We ask and urge you in the Lord Jesus, that as you received from us how you ought to walk and to please God, just as you are doing, that you **do so more and more….**

**1 Thes 4:10**

That indeed is what you are doing to all the brothers throughout Macedonia. But we urge you, brothers, to **do this more and more…**

**2 The 1:3**

We give thanks to God for you, brothers,because **your faith is growing abundantly**, and the love of every one of you for one another is increasing…

**1 Peter 2:2**

Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it **you may grow up** into salvation…..

**2 Pet 3:18**

But **grow in the grace** and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.

**2. The MARKS of growth in Grace.**

increased faith and love-

increased in holiness of life and conduct-

increased in the disciplines of grace-

increased in love for others –

increased zeal to see others come to Christ

Most profound mark**: increased humility.**

HUMILITY: 1 Peter 5:5-6 James 4:6 Is 66:1-2

**3. The MEANS of Growth in Grace.**

a.) **Private** means

b.) **Public** means

c.) **Personal** means

d.) \*\* **Communion** with Jesus, Intimacy with the Savior

Galatians 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, **who loved me** and **gave himself for me.**