

## **Reflection**

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### **Process Spirituality: Process versus Product, Being versus Doing**

In our culture, we increasingly tend to be human doings rather than human beings. The world tells us that what we achieve and accomplish determines who we are, but the Scriptures teach that who we are in Christ should be the basis for what we do. The dynamics of growth are inside out rather than outside in. This section talks about becoming faithful to the process of life rather than living from one product to the next. It also focuses on what it means to abide in Christ and to practice his presence.

A renewed appreciation for the value of living in the present. An understanding that growth is a step by step process that requires an ongoing series of responses to the Lord's initiatives. A fresh vision for the way biblical faith, hope, and love can free us to be alive to what God is doing in the present.

**Walking in the Power of the Spirit** – Great appreciation for the person and ministries of the Holy Spirit. The tendency of some people and movements to glory the gifts of the Giver more than the Giver of the gifts is incompatible with the biblical portrait of the ministry of the Holy Spirit.

We Need to Choose God's Plan - God has created a wonderful plan for each of us. In His plan, we were predestinated to become His sons and daughters by the Cross. But a great obstacle lies between us and the perfectly created by God: Using the free will that He has given us, we must choose to walk in His ordained Plan for our lives.

God looks for a way to approach each of us in order to present His personal plan for our lives. It begins with the preaching of the Cross that encourages us to accept Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. If we accept Jesus, we take the first step into the plan that God predestined for us before the foundation of the world. But if we reject Him as many before us did, we will live and die without ever having taken that first step - salvation - within the divine purpose for our existence.