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### **Holy Cooperation: Growing to Be Like Christ**

“We proclaim Him, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone perfect in Christ. To this end I labor, struggling with all His energy, which so powerfully works in me.”

Paul – Letter to the Colossians (1:28-29) NIV

“ . . . being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.”

Paul – Letter to the Philippians (1:6) NIV

“Come to me all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.”

Jesus – Gospel of Matthew (11:28-29) NIV

Growing in Christ means we engage our entire being in a ceaseless, holy cooperation with the Spirit of Christ. This is the supreme pursuit of a follower of Christ:

#### **Our role:**

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

#### **The Holy Spirit's role:**

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

### Small Group Questions – Week of June 4

1. How do the words of Paul in Colossians 1:28-29 and Philippians 1:6 give you encouragement in your walk with Christ?
2. What are you currently doing in your walk with Christ to cooperate with the Holy Spirit and to become "just like Jesus"?
3. What are the things in your life that are blocking the Spirit of Christ from working in you?
4. What do you need to do to remove those spiritual roadblocks? Who can help you?
5. This week, read Romans 12:1-2 and John 15:4. How do these verses relate to Dave's teaching about Holy cooperation, growing to be like Christ?