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Sommario/riassunto	Discovering the freedom and joy that comes from a personal relationship with Jesus Christ is an incredible experience. Like our own lives, our faith should also grow and mature over time.Bible study, prayer, and sharing in a Christian community.(2 Timothy 2:15, 1 Thessalonians 5:17, Acts 2:42) It's important to acknowledge that you are responsible for your spiritual growth. We encourage you to take advantage of this book and our other great books to help you grow and mature. We want you to succeed, and we are ready to assist you in every way possible to help you make that happen.2. Faithful participation in public worship services.(Hebrews 10:25) One of the great joys of the Christian community is participation in public worship. Something profound happens when believers gather together as one body to worship God through song, Bible study and prayer. Worshiping God is a wonderful privilege experienced by those who follow Christ as Lord.3. Participation in a small group.(Acts 2:42, 46, 47a) It's important to be connected to a small group where they can grow together and care for one another. We believe that life is best lived out in a community, and small groups provide an ideal atmosphere for shepherding, growing in faith, and bearing one another's burdens.4. Service and involvement.(Romans 12:1-8, I Corinthians 12:7-11; 28, Ephesians 4:11-12) Each of us has been blessed with special gifts and talents, and God has a plan for each of us to use these gifts to serve

Him and to serve others. Church members are expected to serve within the church and to be people of impact in our community.5. Financial contribution in a consistent and generous manner.(1 Corinthians 16:1, 2; 2 Corinthians 9:12-15) Giving is a biblical principle and is an important part of your spiritual growth. The Bible speaks clearly on stewardship and generosity, and there are resources available to answer any questions you may have about Christian giving. We believe that those who give in a consistent and generous manner will not only bless our ministries and help them grow, but they too will be blessed and will grow.6. Proclaiming the gospel and supporting others who proclaim the gospel around the world.(Acts 8:4, 2 Corinthians 9:12-15) Our mission is to carry the life-saving message of Jesus Christ to every person on this planet. The gospel is too important to keep to ourselves! We offer ongoing educational opportunities to teach you how to share your faith with others, which you will be able to do through our extensive evangelism and global outreach efforts.