



Growing
God's Way

Matthew 5:48

“In a word, what I am saying is, Grow up. You’re kingdom subjects. Now live like it. Live out your God created identity. Live generously and graciously toward others, the way God lives toward you.”

The Message



Guard Your Heart

- **Proverbs 4:23 – “Keep your heart with all diligence. For out of it spring the issues of life.”**
- **Mark 4 – Parable of the Sower, the Seed & the Soils**



Guard Your Heart

- **Sower – the preacher**
- **Seed – the Word of God**
- **Soils – the human heart**



We live among THORNS...

- 1. Distractions of this world**
- 2. Deceitfulness of riches**
- 3. Desires for other things**



Seven Deliberate Directives

1. CONTENT – vs. 6-8

2. FLEE – vs. 11

3. PURSUE – vs. 11

4. FIGHT – vs. 12



Seven Deliberate Directives

5. OBEY – vs. 14

6. TRUST – vs. 17

7. AVOID – vs. 20

