

Grow Me toward Yourself

Father, I need Your strength.
I need Your wisdom.
I need Your holiness.
I need Your peace.
But these gifts don't exist outside of You.
They are simply descriptions of You.

I need **You**, Father.
When I need the ability to do and be all that life demands,
I need **You**.
When I need wisdom or guidance,
I need **You**.

I long to be completely,
constantly,
irrecoverably **in You**.
But for today,
grow me toward Yourself.
Through every need,
through every blessing,
grow me toward Yourself.
As I face each new day and grapple again with all my neediness,
grow me toward Yourself.

I am helpless without You, Father.
So today let me
work and rest,
walk and breathe
always only in You.

*Father, Your entire agenda is to
share Yourself with us.
Son and Spirit, creation and redemption,
need and abundance, life here and hereafter,
all that You do is in order to
give Yourself to us and draw us into You.
Make my faith more simple and constant that
I may receive You and all You offer.*