



# ***Importance of Spiritual Grit***

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# Why Grit Is More Important Than IQ When You're Trying To Become Successful



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# ***Do We Have Spiritual Grit?***

- **Revelation 2:7,11,17,26-29**
- **Revelation 3:5-6, 12-13, 21-22**



# *To Those Who Overcome ...*

- **Eat of the Tree of Life in the Paradise of God**
- **Not Hurt By Second Death**
- **Given of the Hidden Manna / White Stone / New Name – No One Knows**
- **Authority / Rulership over Nations**
- **Given the Morning Star**
- **Clothed In White Garments**
- **Name Not Erased from the Book of Life**
- **Name is Confessed before the Father and His Angels**
- **Made a Pillar in the Temple of God**
- **Receive the Name of God / City of God Written on Us**
- **New Name of Jesus Christ Written on Us**
- **A Seat with Jesus Christ at His Throne**

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## ■ **Proverbs 1:2-7; 2:1-13**

**The ancient Hebrews associated wisdom with our modern term “skill,” even though “skill” is not a direct translation of the Hebrew term. “Skill” implies what wisdom is in actual practice: excellence in quality or expertise in the practice of one's occupation, craft, or art.**



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The word *knowledge* in the Bible denotes an understanding, a recognition, or an acknowledgment. To “know” something is to perceive it or to be aware of it. Many times in Scripture, knowledge carries the idea of a deeper appreciation of something or a relationship with someone.





# ***Vastness of Godly Knowledge***

- **Psalm 19:2** "...Night after night [the skies] display knowledge."
- **Romans 1:19-22** "....Professing to be wise, they became fools."
- **Romans 11:33-35** "....riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God..."
- **Colossians 2:2-3** "....Christ Himself, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge."

# ***Our Spiritual IQ – Spiritual Success Baseline***

- **I Peter 2:1-23** “...long for the pure milk of the word, so that by it you may grow in respect to salvation...”





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- **I Corinthians 3:1-3** "...I gave you milk to drink, not solid food; for you were not yet able to receive it..."



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- **Hebrews 5:12-14** “...Everyone who partakes only of milk is not accustomed to the word of righteousness...But solid food is for the mature, who have their senses trained [skilled / wisdom] to discern good and evil”



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# ***It Is Important How We Worship***

## **■ Amos 5:21-23**

- “I hate, I despise your feast days, and I do not savor your sacred assemblies. Though you offer Me burnt offerings and your grain offerings, I will not accept them, nor will I regard your fattened peace offerings. Take away from Me the noise of your songs, For I will not hear the melody of your stringed instruments.”**

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## **■ John 4:19-24**

- External worship practices alone are inadequate. God is looking for those who will worship Him in spirit, from a converted and transformed heart. True worship, then, is much more than praise of God in a public worship service.**
- True worship of God involves nothing short of the inward transformation of the human heart by faith in Jesus Christ and His sacrifice and having Christ live in us through the Holy Spirit to help us obey.**



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## **■ Matthew 6:7**

- “When you pray, do not use vain repetitions as the heathen do. For they think that they will be heard for their many words.”**
- God does not want to be worshipped with empty and memorized words, which are said without a mental internalization of what those words mean.**

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## ■ **Mark 7:6-8**

- **“This people honors me with their lips, but their heart is far from me. And in vain they worship me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.”**

## ■ **Matthew 7:21-23**

- **Christ reserved harsh words of warning for those who profess to worship God, but refuse to do God’s will or obey His laws.**
- **Such worship is empty and without merit, unacceptable to God and Jesus Christ.**

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## ■ **Colossians 2:8**

- **“Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ”**

## ■ **Deuteronomy 12:1-4, 29-32**

- **“These are the statutes and the judgments which you shall carefully observe...you shall not add to nor take away from it.”**

# *Application to Life - Spiritual Grit*

- **Talent x Effort = Skill**
- **Skill x Effort = Achievement**

“Talent is how quickly your skills improve when you invest effort.”

“Achievement is what happens when you take your acquired skills and use them.”

“A person’s effort level is their ‘Grittiness’ factor [their level of persistence and passion].”

