

Trying vs. Training – Pete Wilson

BOTTOM LINE: God _____ and _____ meet you
in the midst of whatever season you find yourself.

THE GREATEST ENEMY TO LIFE WITH GOD: _____ harder

1 Corinthians 15:3-4 ³For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures.

Galatians 1:6, 3:1–3 ⁶I am shocked that you are turning away so soon from God, who called you to himself through the loving mercy of Christ. You are following a different way that pretends to be the Good News. ¹Oh, foolish Galatians! Who has cast an evil spell on you? For the meaning of Jesus Christ's death was made as clear to you as if you had seen a picture of his death on the cross. ²Let me ask you this one question: Did you receive the Holy Spirit by obeying the law of Moses? Of course not! You received the Spirit because you believed the message you heard about Christ. ³How foolish can you be? After starting your Christian lives in the Spirit, why are you now trying to become perfect by your own human effort?

**There is a difference between _____ to do something
and trying to do something.**

Training Respects:

- Freedom of the Spirit
- Our unique temperament and gifts
- Our season of life
- A clear decision

Do you want Christ formed in you more than anything else in this life?

Mark 10:17-22 ¹⁷As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ¹⁸"Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good—except God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, you shall not defraud, honor your father and mother.' " ²⁰"Teacher," he declared, "all these I have kept since I was a boy." ²¹Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." ²²At this, the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth.

John 15:4-5 ⁴Remain in me, and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. ⁵"I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

The Christian life was never supposed to be about committing to do

_____.

**It was about being committed to _____
—the One who does good things in us.**

