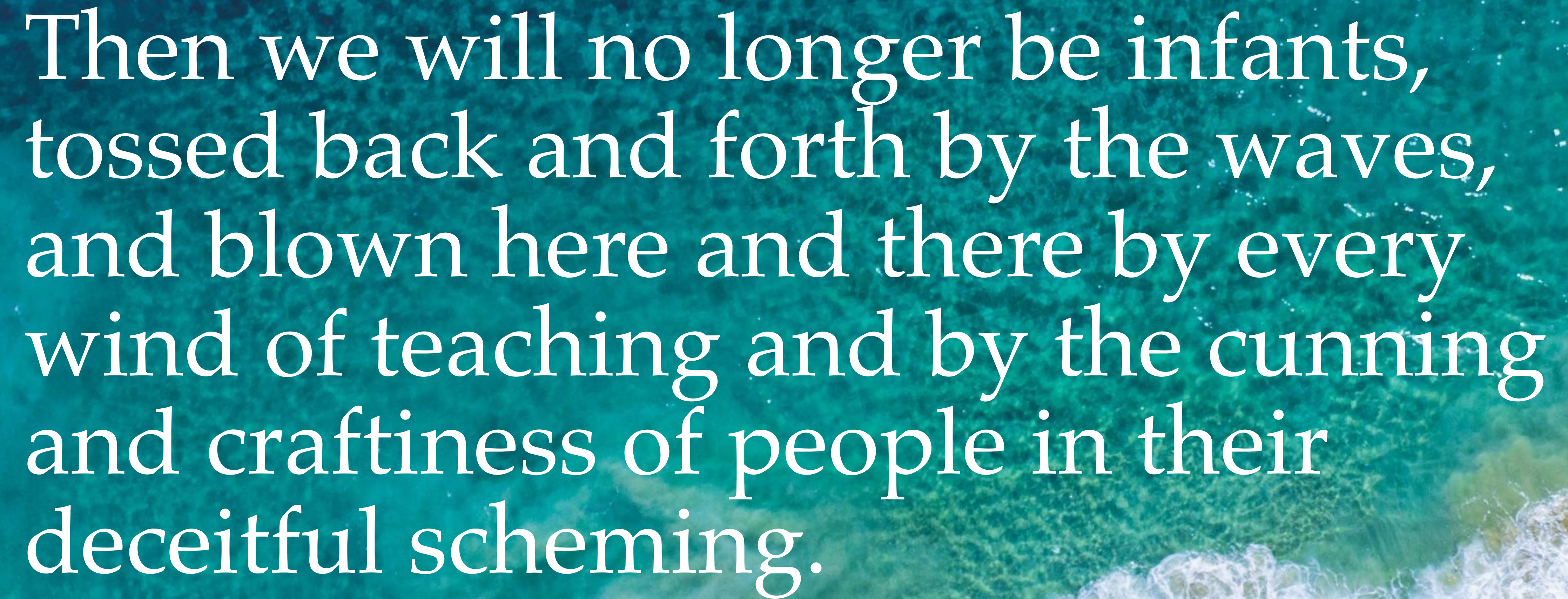




40 *days of* Prayer

**DO YOU REALLY WANT TO
GROW?**





Then we will no longer be infants,
tossed back and forth by the waves,
and blown here and there by every
wind of teaching and by the cunning
and craftiness of people in their
deceitful scheming.

Eph 4:14-15 (NIV)

¹⁵ Instead, speaking the truth in love,
we will grow to become in every
respect the mature body of him who
is the head, that is, Christ.

Eph 4:14-15 (NIV)

SPIRITUAL MATURITY IS NOT...

- independence (dependancy)
- more realistic (more full of faith)

MATURITY IS MODELLED...

- by being with God. (2 Corinth 3:18)
- as we spend time with other mature Christians



**WE GROW WHEN WE FEED
ON GOD'S WORD.**

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'

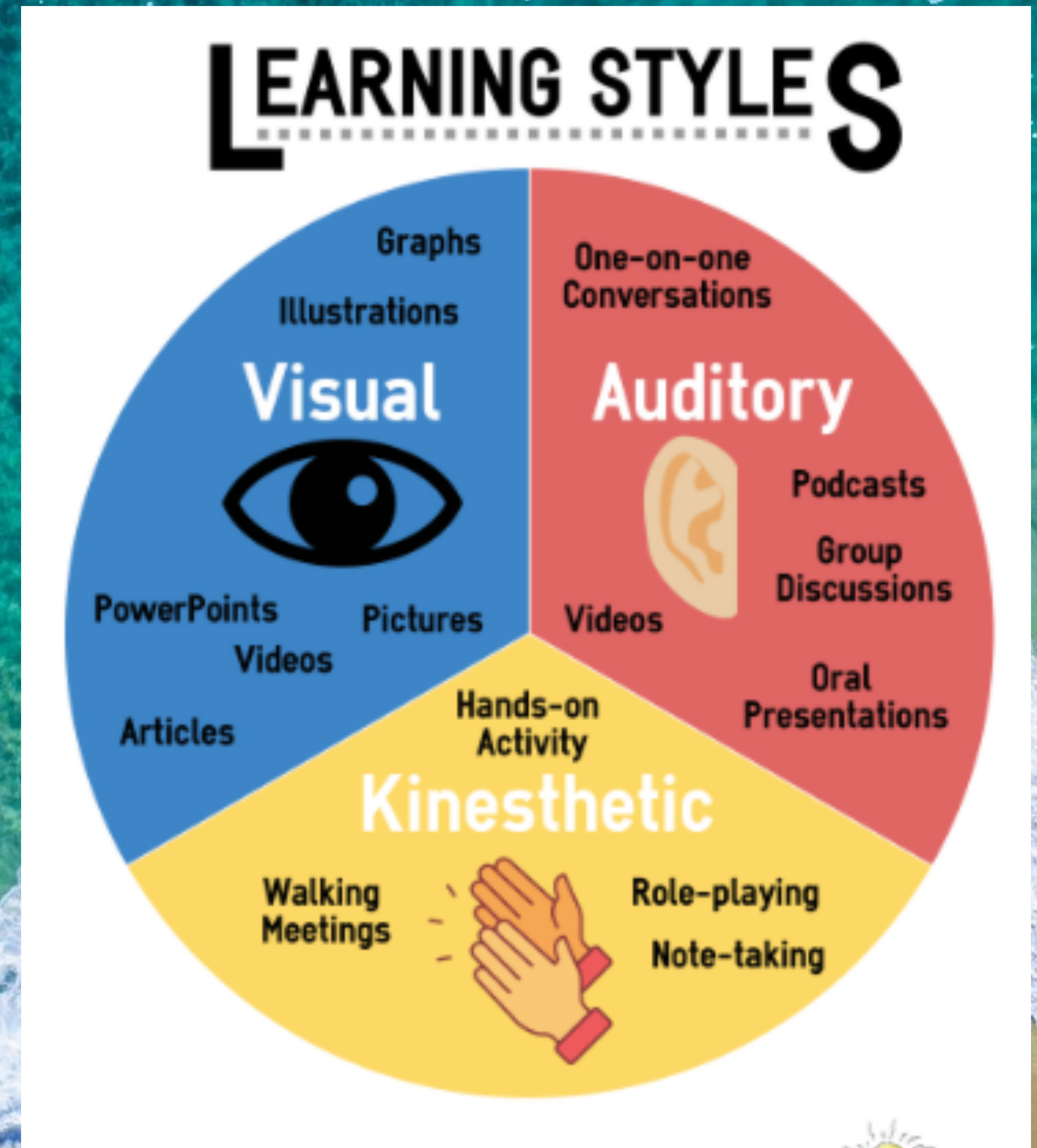
Mat 4:4 (NIV)

WE GROW WHEN WE FEED ON GOD'S WORD.

- Hear
- Read
- Study
- Memorise
- Meditate
- Apply

WE GROW WHEN WE LEARN IN DIFFERENT WAYS.

- auditory
- visual
- oral
- physical



WE GROW WHEN WE DEVELOP SPIRITUAL HABITS.

But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained their senses to distinguish good from evil.



Hebrews 5:14 (NIV)



**WE GROW WHEN WE HELP
OTHERS TO GROW.**

And let us consider how we may spur
one another on toward love and good
deeds, not giving up meeting together,
as some are in the habit of doing,

Hebrews 10:24-25



**WE GROW WHEN WE HELP
OTHERS TO GROW.**

but encouraging one another - and all
the more as you see the Day
approaching.

Hebrews 10:24-25

WE GROW WHEN WE...

- feed on God's word.
- learn in different ways.
- develop spiritual habits.
- help each other to grow.



WHAT STOPS US GROWING?

