

Progressing to Maturity

Sunday January 21, 2024
Series: Intentional

*“Therefore let us leave the elementary doctrine of Christ and go on to maturity,”
Hebrews 6:1a ESV*

I Can Only Mature in Christ when I _____!

_____ My First Days of Faith in Christ

Markers of a Dynamic Faith (Maturity)

- A Commitment to _____ and _____ Development

*“And they devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles.”
Acts 2:42–43 ESV*

- A Desire to Be _____ and Meet _____

*“And all who believed were together and had all things in common. And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need.”
Acts 2:44–45 ESV*

- Regular Participation in _____ Worship and _____ Fellowship

*“And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.”
Acts 2:46–47 ESV*

- Enduring _____ and _____ for Christ

*“But recall the former days when, after you were enlightened, you endured a hard struggle with sufferings, sometimes being publicly exposed to reproach and affliction, and sometimes being partners with those so treated.”
Hebrews 10:32–33 ESV*

- Confidence in God’s _____ and _____

*“For you had compassion on those in prison, and you joyfully accepted the plundering of your property, since you knew that you yourselves had a better possession and an abiding one.”
Hebrews 10:34 ESV*

- Determination to _____

*“Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God you may receive what is promised.”
Hebrews 10:35–36 ESV*

Habits Leading to Spiritual Decline

- Becoming the _____ to God's Work in Me

*"About this we have much to say, and it is hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing."
Hebrews 5:11 ESV*

*"And we desire each one of you to show the same earnestness to have the full assurance of hope until the end, so that you may not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises."
Hebrews 6:11-12 ESV*

*"For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own passions, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander off into myths."
2 Timothy 4:3-4 ESV*

- Depending on Others for My _____

*"For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic principles of the oracles of God."
Hebrews 5:12a ESV*

*"You need milk, not solid food for everyone who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, since he is a child."
Hebrews 5:12b-13 ESV*

- Lacking in _____

*"But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil."
Hebrews 5:14 ESV*

Make My Spiritual Maturity the Priority in 2024

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