

Grove Church – Visions of Truth Ministries
Christian Freedom – “Moving On To Spiritual Maturity”

Key Verse:

It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery. Galatians 5:1 (NIV)

Lesson Focus:

- Moving on to higher levels of spiritual maturity.

Discussions:

- How much of your struggle can be contributed to your lack of spiritual maturity?

Leaving Immaturity Behind

1. Many spiritual bondages stem from immaturity. (1 Cor. 3:1,2)
2. Characteristics of immature people. (Eph. 4:14)
3. Maturing in our walk with Christ. (1 Peter 2:1-3)

Five Aspects of Growing Spiritually.

1. Growing up changes our behavior. (1 Cor. 13:11)
2. Growing up leads to growing out. (Eph. 4:22-24)
3. Growing up seasons our perspective. (Heb. 5:14)
4. Growing up adjusts our attitudes. (Phil. 2:5)
5. Growing up increases our sense of responsibility. (1 Chron. 4:10)

Eight Traits (Roots) of Spiritual Maturity (Col. 3:12-17)

1. Compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. (Phil. 2:2,3)
2. Bear with others/forgiveness. (Eph. 4:2)
3. Love and unity. (Phil. 2:2)
4. Peace. (John 14:27)
5. Thankfulness. (1 Thes. 5:18)
6. Word of Christ in you. (Jer.15:16)
7. Teach/admonish with wisdom. (Col. 1:28)
8. Sing worship songs. (Eph. 5:19)

Ten Marks (Fruits) of Spiritual Maturity.

1. Spiritual dependency. (John 15:5)
2. Relationally connected. (Heb. 10:25)
3. Up-to-date living. (2 Cor. 7:1)
4. Self-control. (Isa. 40:31)
5. Care for others. (Phil. 2:4)
6. Get along with others. (Col. 3:12-14)
7. Long-term vision. (Pro. 29:18)
8. Continual growth. (Pro. 2:2-5)
9. Eternal value system. (Matt. 6:19-21)
10. Involvement in ministry. (2 Cor. 1:3-4)