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THE MESSAGE OF THE BOOK OF HEBREWS

PART 13

“MOVING ON TO MATURITY!”

“The Danger of Stagnation and Regression in the Christian Life”

(Hebrews 5:11-6:3)

INTRODUCTION:

THE LARGER CONTEXT: HEBREWS 5:11-10:39

1. Hebrews 5:10 concludes with a reference to Melchizedek and 6:20 ends with the identical reference: “He has become a high priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek.” This section (5:11-6:20) is a complete unit that serves as _____ for the coming major instruction in chapters 7-10:

- a. A High Priest Like Melchizedek 7:1-28
- b. The Qualifications of Jesus as Priest 8:1-9:28
- c. The Source of Eternal Salvation 10:1-18

Followed by the _____ to the Congregation 10:19-39

2. This Preparation section is subdivided into two divisions, 5:11-6:12 and 6:13-20.

THE LIFE CONCERN: _____ (HEBREWS 5:11-6:3)

1. _____ in your maturity?
2. _____ in your maturity?
3. _____ in your maturity?
4. _____ in your maturity?

• Spiritual Maturity: “A lifelong, passionate _____ of God’s upward calling in Christ Jesus, experiencing greater _____ with Him and _____ to Him until that day I am ultimately _____ Him and _____ Him.”

• Maturity is His _____ for me, pursuing maturity is my _____ to Him.

1A. THE _____ OF SPIRITUAL MATURITY: (5:11)

“Concerning him we have much to say, and it is hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing.”

• We will never _____ unless we _____.

• Examining our Hearing:

1. Take care _____ you hear. (Matthew 13:9)

2. Take care _____ you hear (Mark 4:24)

3. Take care _____ you hear (Luke 8:18)

2A. THE _____ OF SPIRITUAL MATURITY: (5:12)

“For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you have need again for someone to teach you the elementary principles of the oracles of God, and you have come to need milk and not solid food.”

3A. THE _____ OF SPIRITUAL MATURITY: (5:13-14)

“For everyone who partakes only of milk is not accustomed to the word of righteousness, for he is an infant. But solid food is for the mature, who because of practice have their senses trained to discern good and evil.”

_____ + _____ = _____

4A. THE _____ TOWARD SPIRITUAL MATURITY: (6:1-3)

“**Therefore** leaving the elementary teaching about the Christ, let us press on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, of instruction about washings and laying on of hands, and the resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment. And this we will do, if God permits.”

1B. The Principle of _____ :

2B. The Principle of _____ :

3B. The Principle of _____ :

4B. The Principle of _____ :

CONCLUSION: