

The Dangers of Hearing Loss

Hebrews 5:11-6:3

How do you listen to the Word? Do you listen actively, engaged, attentively believing God has something to say to You in His Word? Will you receive God's Word today as the writer will say later in chapter 6 – receive it like rain that falls upon the earth so it produces vegetation and growth – or will you hear it as just so much noise?

In this passage the writer of Hebrews addresses the matter of spiritual growth.

1. We See A Problem With Spiritual _____ . (5:11)

“Perception” meaning “the ability to see and hear something; to be engaged, actively aware of what they are reading and hearing.”

“dull of hearing.” The word “dull” means “sluggish, lazy, and indifferent.”

2. We See A Problem With Spiritual _____ . (5:12-6:3)

- **People must move beyond the _____ principles of following Christ**
- **People must move beyond spiritual _____**
- **They need not to _____ to the things taught in the OT Covenant of Judaism**

- ❖ **Repentance from _____ Works**
- ❖ **Doctrines of _____ and Laying on of Hands**
- ❖ **The Resurrection of the Dead and _____ Judgement**

3. We See The _____ That Is Granted By God. (6:3)

And as you go on growing, you will go on to maturity. You will not fall away. You will not regress, you will progress, upward and onward, your eyes fixed on Jesus. I am praying with you toward that end. I pray that God will give you grace so that:

- **Never become “_____” God's Word.**

- _____ the milk of the Word but also move on to the “meat” of the Word
- _____ feed yourself and others with the Word of God

Application:

1. Make your relationship with Christ your _____ priority.
2. Practice spiritual _____.
3. Read and Study the Word of God _____.
4. Depend on the fullness of the _____ rather than your own abilities.
5. Spend time _____ and _____ God daily.