Eco-System Of Maturity-1

- A. MATURITY- Galatians 4:19 (KJV) (NLT)
 - God's Will and our (leaders) desire is maturity
 - Spiritual Formation
 - Christ Likeness
 - 1. Converts- John 3:3..."Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God."
 - 2. Disciples- Followers of Jesus-Ephesians 5:1 "Be ye therefore followers of God as dear children."
 - A people living transformed lives
 - A people changing from glory to glory...

Immaturity= a tragedy for you personally and God as well.

- It takes mature believers to <u>work</u> with God and the advancement of His kingdom (I Corinthians 3:9)
- Mature believers to execute kingdom authority "Binding and Loosing" (Mathew 18:18)
- Mature believers to affect society for good. (Mathew 5) Salt and Light

Ephesians 4:10-16 (KJV)

- 1. For the perfecting of the Saints (equipping) (verse 12)
- 2. A perfect man (of full age) (verse 13)
- 3. Stature of the fullness of Christ (verse 13)
- 4. Be no more children (verse 14)
- 5. May grow up unto Him in all things (verse 15)
- 6. All statements of maturity
- B. Eco- System of Maturity

Eco-system – a system of interconnected elements formed by the interaction of a community of organisms with their environment.

Example: A deer in the woods

"What are the elements that are interconnected that the deer must interact with in order to be a trophy buck... I'm looking for!!!"

"What makes up an eco-system conducive for maturity?"

[THREE MAJOR ENVIRONMENTS]

Note: The deer must interact within these environments that are connected.

- 1. FOOD=There must be a good and plentiful food supply
- 2. WATER=Can not mature without it.
- 3. COVER=Thickets to hide in and feel safe
 - The deer must interact and move daily in and out of these environments to survive and thrive (mature).

[What is our responsibility as a church in regards to your spiritual growth?]

"Create environments that interconnect and facilitate interaction in those environments that give you the best opportunity for maturity to be a trophy buck for Jesus."

- 1. We can't force maturity (facilitate)
- 2. We can only create opportunity for maturity
- 3. We can enhance or hinder it (maturity)

[VICTORY LIFE'S THREE MAJOR ENVIRONMENTS]