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# Immaturity – A Trojan Horse

## Victory Life Church — Pastor Duane Sheriff

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Part 6 - Sunday, May 16, 2021

1 John 2:12-14 (NKJV)

### 3 STAGES OF MATURITY

#### 1. Little Children

- Revelation of complete forgiveness.\
- Ephesians 1:7 (ref.) / Hebrews 9:12 (ref.)
- They mainly receive

#### 2. Young Men (And Women)

- They are strong
- God's Word abides in them
- They are overcomers
- They have discovered "Who they are in Christ"
- They receive AND give

#### 3. Fathers (And Mothers)

- They have discovered "Who Christ is in Them"
- They receive AND give
- They are God and others focused

Acts 2:38-41 (NKJV)

- 3,120 were saved. This continued daily.
- This was the constant diet for maturity

## **FOUR BASIC FOOD GROUPS (NATURAL)**

- Meat / Dairy / Vegetables / Fruit

## **FOUR BASIC FOOD GROUPS (SPIRITUAL)**

### **1. Apostles Doctrine**

- New Testament Grace vs. Old Testament Law
- Mercy vs. Wrath
- 2 Corinthians 3:4-11 (NKJV)

### **2. Fellowship (Greek – Koinonia)**

- Partnership / Participation (Social Intercourse)
- Philemon 1:4-6 (NKJV)
- “Living life together”

### **3. Breaking Bread**

- Communion + eating together
- Acts 2:46 (NKJV)

### **4. Prayers**

- Learning how to pray
- Learning different kinds of prayers
- Luke 11:1 (Teach us to pray...)
- Matthew 6 (Warnings of religious trappings regarding prayer)