

HEBREWS

BETTER THAN



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¹ 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, ² of instruction about washings (baptisms) and laying on of hands, and the resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment. ³ And this we will do, if God permits.

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⁴ For in the case of those who have once been enlightened and have tasted of the heavenly gift and have been made partakers of the Holy Spirit, ⁵ and have tasted the good word of God and the powers of the age to come, ⁶ and then have fallen away, it is impossible to renew them again to repentance, since they again crucify to themselves the Son of God and put Him to open shame.

PRESS ON TO MATURITY

- They have been believers for a long time and should be teaching other.
- They do not know and need to be taught basic doctrines.
- 1 Peter 2:2 As newborn babies, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby.
- Maturity speaks of being a son or daughter and not a child.
- Discipleship

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ELEMENTARY TEACHINGS

- Repentance from dead works and of faith toward God.

Ephesians 2:8-9

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast.

ELEMENTARY TEACHINGS

- Repentance from dead works and of faith toward God.
- Teaching about washings/baptisms
- Laying on of hands
- Resurrection from the dead
- Eternal judgement

Romans 14:10 But as for you, why do you judge your brother or sister? Or you as well, why do you regard your brother or sister with contempt? For we will all appear before the judgment seat of God.

MATURITY

Hebrews 6:4-6

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MATURITY

- Get the foundation right and move on.
- Don't fall away.

PHILIP YANCEY

“Human beings grow by striving, working, stretching; and in a sense, human nature needs problems more than solutions. Why are not all prayers answered magically and instantly? Why must every convert travel the same tedious path of spiritual discipline? Because persistent prayer and fasting, and study, and meditation are designed primarily for our sakes, not for God’s. Most Christians remind me of schoolboys who want to look up the answers to their math problems in the back of the book rather than work them through.

PHILIP YANCEY

We yearn for shortcuts. But shortcuts usually lead us away from growth, not toward it. Apply the principle directly to Job: what was the final result of the testing he went through? Faith like Job's cannot be shaken because it is the result of having been shaken.

MATURITY

- Get the foundation right and move on.
- Don't fall away.
- Get planted in a local church.

Hebrews 6:7-8

For the earth which drinks in the rain that often comes upon it, and bears herbs useful for those by whom it is cultivated, receives blessing from God; but if it bears thorns and briers, it is rejected and near to being cursed, whose end is to be burned.

HEBREWS 6:12

That you do not become sluggish, but imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

MATURITY

- Get the foundation right and move on.
- Don't fall away.
- Get planted in a local church.
- Look for fruit.
- Faith and patience

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