

Discussion Questions

INTRODUCTION

A metaphor for the Christian life is the maturing of an infant to an adult. What are the keys to Christian maturity? How do we be intentional to grow in our faith so that we become the people God designed us to be? This message outlines the third of our five key decisions on the journey to real life--grow.

GETTING STARTED

1. What or who do you imagine when you hear the word immature? What characteristics make people this way?
2. In your own words, how do you define Christian maturity? What are the signs that indicate whether a person is maturing at a healthy rate? What are the signs of stunted growth?

BIBLE IDEA

3. Read Ephesians 4:11-16. Identify the keys to growth found in this passage. What is most important, and why?
4. In Philippians 4:4-9 we learn that Christians think different than other people. How does your thinking compare to the thinking described in this passage?
5. Sean identified two great aids to developing character: community and adversity. Do you agree or disagree and why?

NEXT STEPS

6. What evidence can you point to that indicates you are becoming more like Jesus?
7. What can you do this week to be intentional about growth?