

Fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Hebrews 12:2

For this reason we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away from it. Hebrews 2:1

Therefore, just as the Holy Spirit says, “Today if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts as when they provoked Me, as in the day of trial in the wilderness. Hebrews 3:7–8

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. Hebrews 6:1

Do you think that a faith that is in a process of maturing is a sign of genuine salvation?

For consider Him who has endured such hostility by sinners against Himself, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart. Hebrews 12:3

Many say they are willing to die for their faith because they know they won't have too, so the bigger question for us in America is are we willing to live for our faith?

Truth in itself is not enough to keep people from wavering in their faith. People will only fold fast to the truth if it is modeled by a person of faith and even then there will be those who will not hold to the truth.

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith. 2 Timothy 4:7

Remember those who led you, who spoke the word of God to you; and considering the result of their conduct, imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Hebrews 13:7-8

Spiritual influence is best accomplished when the church and the parents have a shared interest in a student's life. Example is not the main thing in influencing others. It is the only thing. Albert Schweitzer

**Going outside in cold weather with wet hair can give you a cold.
You must wait at least 30 minutes after eating before you go swimming.**

We don't need the influence of other Christians in our lives.

Let love of the brethren continue. Hebrews 13:1

I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing. This is My commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you. John 15:5, 12

The source of abiding love is Christ, the evidence is spiritual fruit and the benefit is a love for one another.

Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has seen God at any time; if we love one another, God abides in us, and His love is perfected in us. 1 John 4:11–12

Spiritual maturity that comes when we abide in Christ will spiritually influence the home, church and community.

Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by this some have entertained angels without knowing it. Hebrews 13:2

Remember the prisoners, as though in prison with them, and those who are ill-treated, since you yourselves also are in the body. Hebrews 13:3

But remember the former days, when, after being enlightened, you endured a great conflict of sufferings, partly by being made a public spectacle through reproaches and tribulations, and partly by becoming sharers with those who were so treated. Hebrews 10:32–33

For you showed sympathy to the prisoners and accepted joyfully the seizure of your property, knowing that you have for yourselves a better possession and a lasting one. Hebrews 10:34

Marriage is to be held in honor among all, and the marriage bed is to be undefiled; for fornicators and adulterers God will judge. Hebrews 13:4

Make sure that your character is free from the love of money, being content with what you have; for He Himself has said, “I will never desert you, nor will I ever forsake you.” Hebrews 13:5

So that we confidently say, “The Lord is my helper, I will not be afraid. What will man do to me?” Hebrews 13:6