

OPENING QUESTIONS

- Share Highs & Lows from your week!
- What is one goal you have for when you grow up?
- What does it mean to be mature?
- Who is someone in your life who has it all together? (Someone who you would say is mature.)
- When you look at the church, what would you say the purpose of the church is?
- How does the church help people grow as Christ-followers?

The CHURCH helps us become more mature as followers of JESUS...

Read: Ephesians 4:11-16

Answer:

- What do YOU think it means to “grow up” in Christ?
- What are some of the words throughout this passage that might be associated with growth?
- Based off Ephesians 4, what does it mean to “grow up” in Christ?
- Read Ephesians 5:1-2. What does it mean to walk in the way of love?

We continue to GROW IN CHRIST through the WORD, the LORD'S SUPPER, and through the COMMUNITY OF BELIEVERS...

Read: 1 Corinthians 3:5-7

Answer:

- What does this say our job is?
- What is God's job?
- How can we work together with other Christians to bring others to Christ?

APPLY IT

As we continue to Grow in Christ, we need to continually read God's Word, be with other Christians, and pray for one another. "Faith 5" is a resource that we encourage each family to walk through every night. It encourages us to continue our Growth in Christ through 5 easy steps.

1. SHARE highs and lows
2. READ a Bible verse or story
3. TALK about how the Bible reading might relate to your highs and lows
4. PRAY for one another's highs and lows
5. BLESS one another

MARK OF A DISCIPLE

Disciples of Christ are the individual parts of the Church, working together with other Christians to "grow up" in Christ.

PRAY TOGETHER TO CLOSE