

I. Introduction

II. Be Mature

A. Key Text:

1 Corinthians 13:11 (NKJV)

11 When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

1. ***Spiritual Maturity is a choice and takes action.**

Hebrews 5:12 (NKJV)

12 For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food.

2. ***We do not arrive at maturity but you continue to practice maturity.**

1 Corinthians 3:2 (NLT)

2 I had to feed you with milk, not with solid food, because you weren't ready for anything stronger. And you still aren't ready,

B. Do the Word: Choose to walk deeper into maturity with Christ.

III. Benefits of the Mature.

1 Corinthians 13:9-12 (NKJV)

9 For we know in part and we prophesy in part.

10 But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away.

11 When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

12 For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known.

1 Corinthians 13:9-12 (NLT)

9 Now our knowledge is partial and incomplete, and even the gift of prophecy reveals only part of the whole picture!

10 But when the time of perfection comes, these partial things will become useless.

11 When I was a child, I spoke and thought and reasoned as a child. But when I grew up, I put away childish things.

12 Now we see things imperfectly, like puzzling reflections in a mirror, but then we will see everything with perfect clarity. All that I know now is partial and incomplete, but then I will know everything completely, just as God now knows me completely.

A. ***Maturity is to grow more complete in Christ.**

1. **Benefits of maturity:**

2. ***Spiritual vision becomes clearer.**

3. ***Spiritual hearing becomes clearer.**

4. ***God wants to give us clear hearing and clear vision.**

5. ***God wants to give you clear direction.**

IV. Closing

A. **Deeper steps in Maturity gives clearer vision and hearing in the Spirit.**