

April 25, 2021
Ephesians 4:13-16

GROWING UP IN CHRIST

I. Introduction

II. The Meaning of Maturity

The word mature comes from the Greek “teleaos” which translated means mature, complete, perfect, lacking nothing.

What Maturity Is Not:

Maturity is not _____

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What Maturity Is:

Maturity is **growing up** to be more like _____

III. Marks of Maturity:

A. Unity of Faith and Knowledge

“until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the son of God and become mature.” (vs. 13)

B. Christ-like Character

“attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.” (vs. 13)

C. Stability of Life

“Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming.” (Vs. 14)

D. Joining Truth and Love

“Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is Christ.” (vs. 15)

E. Cooperation

“From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.” (vs. 16)