

<u>Series Title</u>- Fix Your Eyes on Jesus (Journey through Hebrews)

Sermon Title- Grow Up

Sermon-#11

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Hebrews 5:11-6:3

We have much to say about this, but it is hard to make it clear to you because you no longer try to understand. ¹² In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word all over again. You need milk, not solid food! ¹³ Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. ¹⁴ But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.

6 Therefore let us move beyond the elementary teachings about Christ and be taken forward to maturity, not laying again the foundation of repentance from acts that lead to death, and of faith in God, ² instruction about cleansing rites, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment. ³ And God permitting, we will do so.

- 1. Pastor DJ pulled out three roadblocks to our spiritual growth from this passage, which one are you struggling with?
 - a. We make it about us,
 - b. We don't have a growth mindset, or
 - c. We don't know what maturity means
- 2. Would you say your growing spiritually and if so how do you know that?
- 3. How would you describe someone who is drinking spiritual milk vs someone who eating spiritual meat?
- 4. The original word for "maturity" is <u>tel-i-ot'-ace</u> = **moral perfection** = in reference to love. When Jesus invited His initial followers to aim for perfection the context was in loving their enemies (Matthew 5:43-48). Why is that so significant? Who are you having a tough time loving & how can you "grow up" in your faith and begin doing that?