

LESSON 6
GET GROWING!
HEBREWS 5:11—6:12



1 How have your tastes in food changed over the years?

2 If you could grow up again, what would you like to learn more quickly than you did the first time?



Read Hebrews 5:11—6:12 and the following notes:

☐ 5:12, 13 ☐ 5:12–14 ☐ 5:14 ☐ 6:1, 2 ☐ 6:7, 8 ☐ 6:10 ☐ 6:11, 12

3 What are the “basic things” (or “milk”) of God’s Word (5:11—6:2)?

4 What is a spiritually mature person like (5:12–14)?

There are important differences between being *exposed* to the truth and *responding* to the truth. People can read the Bible and listen to sermons for years without ever internalizing God’s truth. They know what God wants but never do it. The problem with the Hebrews was that they were still arguing about basic facts of their faith and not growing in their understanding of the Scriptures and their relationship with God. They knew what it meant to be saved but didn’t know much about doing what was right. In effect, they were still spiritual babies. They needed to mature in their faith. How does this happen? Spiritual maturity comes from continually putting into practice the truths we have learned.



5 What role does knowledge play in the spiritual growth process?

6 How does maturity come from action?

7 How does diligence contribute to spiritual maturity?

8 What essential facts should a new Christian be taught in order to get a good start in spiritual growth?



9 Place an X on the scale to rate your present level of spiritual growth:

Unborn Infant Toddler Child Adolescent Young Adult Mature Adult

10 What could you do to advance one level during the next year?

11 What basic things listed in this passage do you still need to learn more about?

12 In what areas do you need help putting your faith into practice?



List some specific answers to these two sides of growing:

13 Ways I could learn more of what the Bible teaches:

14 Actions I need to take based on what I know the Bible teaches:

- A** The Hebrew Christians were slow to learn (5:11). What were they to do about this? What can you do to accelerate your learning?
- B** How can a person be “nailing the Son of God to the cross again” (6:6)? How likely is it for a person who truly understands what Christ has done to turn away from him (6:4, 5)? What is the evidence that a person has truly responded to Christ? How can this passage serve as a motivation for you to live for Christ?
- C** What were the Hebrew Christians doing right despite their immaturity (6:10)? How could they build on this, moving toward maturity? In what ways can you move toward maturity?

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