**“Recipe for Maturity”**

**Hebrews 5:9-6:3**

**I. Congregation has become slow to learn**

**II. Maturity is achieved by exercise**

**A) Worldly Maturity**

1) Biblical maturity is not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

2) Biblical maturity not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**B) Biblical Maturity**

1) What is the goal of Christianity? = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, or *mature* believers.

Ephesians 4:13

2) How is maturity achieved?

 Micah 6:8; James 1:25

Biblical maturity is achieved by understanding, then \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in accordance w/ scripture

**\* Jesus & Mark 4:24**

3) How is maturity developed?

*NLT* ***Hebrews 5:14*** *Solid food is for those who are mature, who have trained themselves to recognize the difference between right and wrong and then do what is right.*

*How often? C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.*

**III. Christ Puts the Bible Together**

**Some Application:**

1) Realize the moral component in maturity… ***Are you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the scriptures or have you resigned that to the scholars/teachers?***

2) Act in simple faith and “do right thing” **… *Are you obeying what you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ know?***

3) Constant application of what is right … ***Are you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in doing the right thing?***

2 Timothy 2:24

4) Make a beeline for the cross: How does Christ come to bear in this situation? … ***Are you asking God to help you grow in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_ of Christ?***

**Quotes**:

**“***Our goals can only be reached through a vehicle of a plan, in which we must fervently believe, and upon which we must vigorously act. There is no other route to success*.” [Pablo Picasso](http://www.brainyquote.com/quotes/authors/p/pablo_picasso.html)

*“I prefer to win titles with the team ahead of individual awards or scoring more goals than anyone else. I'm more worried about being a good person than being the best football player in the world. When all this is over, what are you left with? When I retire, I hope I am remembered for being a decent guy.”* Lionel Messi