



Let Us Press On to Maturity

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Hebrews 6:1-3

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What we have learned so far in our study ...

- The Theme of the Book - Jesus is "Better" ...

- The Warnings in Hebrews ...

The 1st - Don't **drift** away from the Word (2:1-4)

The 2nd - Don't **doubt** the Word (3:7-4:13)

- Jesus our Great & Perfect High Priest - 4:14-5:10

- You Were Made to Grow - 5:11-14

The 3rd Warning - Don't be **dull** toward the Word (5:11-6:20)

The Situation ... Why were they not growing?

What we are going to learn today in our study ...

"Therefore ... let us press on to maturity" 6:1

The Solution ... What is going to help them grow? 6:1-3

The Statements ... Why does he warn them so strongly? 6:4-8

LESSON - Let Us Press On to Maturity 6:1-3

I. THE APPEAL FOR MATURITY vs. 1-3

What is he telling them to do?

First — You must **SEPARATE** yourself from your current condition. vs. 1-2

The Terms ... *"Therefore leaving the elementary teaching about the Christ, ... not laying again a foundation ..."*

3 Foundational Doctrines of Judaism

- 1) *"... of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God."* v. 1
- 2) *"... of instructions about washings and laying on of hands."* v. 2
- 3) *"... and the resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment."* v. 2

The Teaching ...

- 1) For the Jewish person in that day.
- 2) For people today?

Second — You must **SUBMIT** yourself to God's sovereignty when it comes to growth. v. 3

"And this we will do, if God permits."

Today's Growth Points — The Implications of Sovereignty and Our Growth

- 1) God ultimately governs the progress of our sanctification (maturity).
- 2) God permitting us to advance to maturity is all of grace.
- 3) Nevertheless, it is to be our responsibility and joy to press on to maturity.