

God Wants Us To Grow Up!

God's _____ for every person is to _____ up.

"Let us go on to maturity." Hebrews 6:1 (NIV)

1. What is _____?

- a. It is not _____.
- b. It is not _____.
- c. It is not _____.
- d. It is not _____.

God says maturity is _____ by your _____.

2. How do you _____ your maturity?

- a. How _____ are you under _____?

"Consider it pure joy, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know the testing of your faith develops perseverance and perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete not lacking anything." James 1:2-4 (NIV)

"Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love Him." James 1:12 (NIV)

- b. How _____ are you to other people's _____?

*"If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture,
'Love your neighbor as yourself' you are doing right."
James 2:8 (NIV)*

- c. Do you have _____ of your _____?

"We all stumble in many ways. If anyone is never at fault in what he says, he is a perfect man, able to keep his whole body in check." James 3:2 (NIV)

"If anyone considers himself religious and yet does not keep a tight rein on his tongue, he deceives himself and his religion is worthless." James 1:26 (NIV)

- d. Are you a _____ or a _____?

*"What causes fights and quarrels among you?
Don't they come from your desires that battle within you?" James 4:1 (NIV)*

e. Are you _____ and _____?

*"Be patient then, brothers, until the Lord's coming ...
As you know, we consider blessed those who persevere."*

James 5:7a, 11a (NIV)

"The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective."

James 5:16b (NIV)

_____ to God is the _____ to growth.