

Going on to Maturity 10

A study about Christian maturity and what it looks like.

Having laid some of founding principles of Christian Maturity that help to define us as God's people, it is time to explore how this will be revealed in the specific issues of our lives.

The previous studies included; maturity is Gods call to us turning away from sin, thinking different about things, realizing our lives belong not to ourselves but to God and that maturity is worked out not in isolation but within the boundaries of the Church Community.

The following studies will be characterized by a similar approach to a particular issue including a discussion about the way the world seems to approach this issue; a look into some scriptures and then reviewing it in the light of all we have previously covered.

Justice

Your perspective.

1. What do you understand by the word, 'Justice'.
2. Is yours a common viewpoint?
3. Does the issue of justice affect you on a daily basis?

In Scripture, both Righteousness and Justice are derived from the same Greek and Hebrew words and form a major theme of Gods expectations for his people.

Read

Read [Amos5:11-15, 21-24](#)

1. If Amos was here today would he give the same message to the Church?
2. In what ways might the Church be neglecting justice?
3. What justice issues do you think we need to

The Christian Perspective

1. Discuss what you see as the Christian view of Church.
2. What evidence do you see or hear that confirms this viewpoint.
3. Is there consistency within the Christian view or are there a range of opinions?

The Issue of Church

1. What is it about Church that makes it important for us as Maturing Christians to discuss it?

A biblical perspective

Check out the following verses related to Church.

(This is only a small selection and may be supplemented by other scriptures that you are aware of.)

1Corinthians 12:7,12-28; 2 Corinth 12:14-19, 1 John 1:7.

1. What is the general concept you pick up from these scriptures?
2. What do you think is the Christians definition of "Household" or "Family"?

Review

Consider all that you have discovered over the course of this study in the light of the lessons of the previous studies.

1. Are there principles here for a healthy perspective on Family for the Maturing Christian?

Conclusion

Making it personal.

1. How will this study affect the way you think and behave in regards to the Church?

Spend time in prayer and encouragement with each other

Justice is so important.