

“By Then You Should Know...”

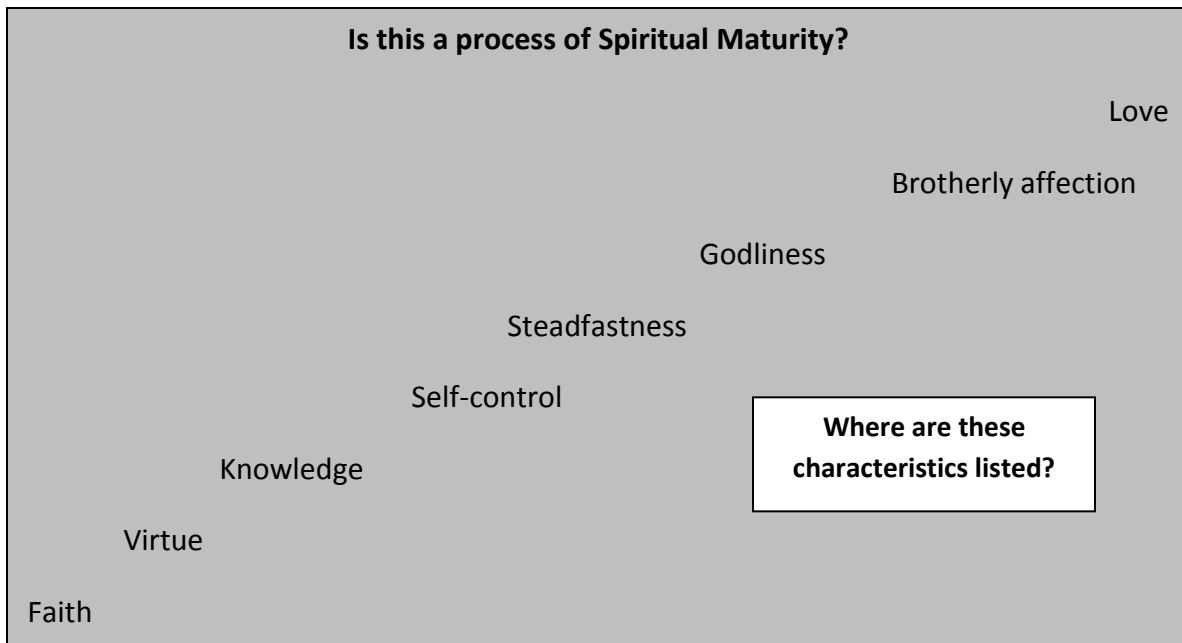
*Attaining Spiritual Maturity - Lesson #2
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Scripture: 1 Peter 2.1-3

1. How would you define “spiritual maturity?”

2. Do all Christians spiritually grow at the same rate? Why or Why not?

3. What are the factors/influences involved in spiritual growth?



The Text of 1 Peter 2.1-3:

1. Why does Peter tell them to “long for the pure spiritual milk?”
 - a. What is the “pure spiritual milk?”
 - b. Does this statement say something of the age of the readers?

Hebrews 5.12-14 vs. 1 Peter 2.1-3

1. Are the readers addressing two different “spiritual aged” people?

Application:

1. How do we determine the difference in the “milk of the word” and the “meat of the word?”

2. How do we figure out if we are infants or mature?

John MacArthur Study Bible

Thoughts on 1 Peter 2.2

“A Christian develops a desire for the truth of God’s Word by:

- 1) **Remembering** his life’s source (1:25; cf. Is. 55:10,11; John 15:3; Heb. 4:12);
- 2) **Eliminating** sin from his life (v. 1);
- 3) **Admitting** his need for God’s truth (v. 2, “as newborn babes”; cf. Matt. 4:4);
- 4) **Pursuing** spiritual growth (v. 2, “that you may grow thereby”); and
- 5) **Surveying** his blessings (v. 3, “Lord is gracious”).