

# *Welcome To Open Bible Hour*

*Thank you for joining us on this Lord's Day!*

*Our desire is that you may grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ as we pursue an in-depth study of the book of Hebrews.*

*If you have a prayer request, for which you would like us to pray, please fill out a prayer sheet at the back table and give to Lyle.*

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# “ARE YOU ON THE ROAD TO SPIRITUAL MATURITY?”

## PART 1

Heb. 5:11-14

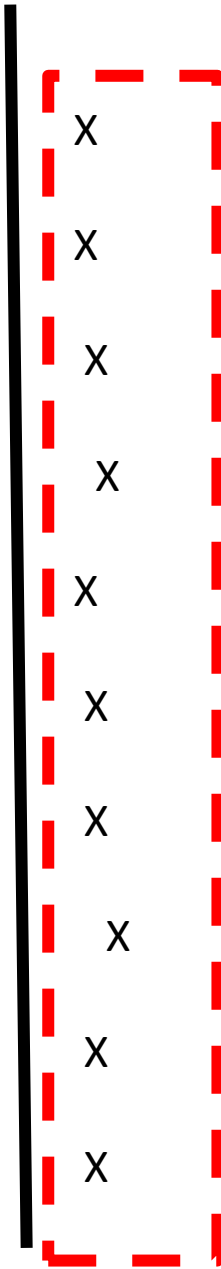
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# 3 things God uses to will bring you to maturity:

## 1. *The Word.*

**Eph. 4:13**

**2 Tim 3:16-17**

16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

17 That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

**Ps. 119:1-176**

## 2. *Trials.*

**James 1:2-4**

2 Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials,

3 knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance.

4 And let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

## 3. *Suffering.*

**1 Peter 5:10**

10 After you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself perfect, confirm, strengthen and establish you.

## **Eph 4:11-16**

- 11 And He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers,
- 12 for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ;
- 13 until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ.
- 14 As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming;
- 15 but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ,
- 16 from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.

Greek Word		Meaning	Spiritual Level	Characteristics	Need	Scripture
<b>Positional Eternal</b>	<b>Practical Temporal</b>	Child  Son	Heir of God  Adopted	All Positional Truth	Put his Position into practice.	Jn, 1:12; <u>Rom.8:16,17</u> Gal. 3:26; Rom 8:14,15 _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
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# The Believer's Position in Christ

## The believer is:

1. Elect/Chosen (Eph. 1:4)
2. Foreknown (I Pet. 1:2)
3. Predestined (Rom. 8:29,30)
4. Called (I Thes. 5:24)
5. Redeemed (Rom. 3:24)
6. Reconciled (Rom. 5:10)
7. Related to God through propitiation (Rom. 3:24-26)
8. Forgiven all sin (Eph. 1:7)
9. Joined to Christ (Rom. 6:1-10)
10. Free from the Law (Rom. 7:2-6)
11. Made a child of God (Gal. 3:26)
12. Adopted (Rom. 8:15, 23)
13. Made acceptable to God through Christ (Eph. 1:6; Col. 1:12)
14. Made righteous (Rom. 3:22)
15. Sanctified (1 Cor. 1:30; 6:11)
16. Perfected forever (Heb 10:14)
17. Justified (Rom. 5:1)
18. Made close to God (Eph. 2:13)
19. Delivered from the power of darkness (Col.1:13)
20. Translated into the Kingdom (Col. 1:13)
21. Planted on the Rock, Jesus Christ (1 Cor. 3:9-15)
22. A gift from God to Jesus Christ (Jn. 17:6,11,12,20)
23. Circumcised in Christ (Col. 2:11)
24. A Priest in the Holy and Royal Priesthood of believers (1 Pet. 2:5,9)
25. Part of a chosen generation, a holy nation, and a peculiar people (1 Pet. 5:9)
26. A heavenly citizen (Phil. 3:20)
27. In the family & household of God (Eph. 2:19)
28. In the fellowship of the saints (Jn. 17:11,21-23)
29. In a heavenly association (Col. 1:27; 3:1)
30. Given access to God (Eph. 2:18)
31. Within the care of God (Rom. 5:8-10)
32. An object of God's love (Jn. 3:16)
33. An object of God's Grace (Eph. 2:7-9)
34. An object of God's power (Eph. 1:19)
35. An object of God's faithfulness (Phil. 1:6)
36. An object of God's peace (Rom. 5:1)
37. An object of God's consolation (2 Thes. 2:16,17)
38. An object of God's intercession (Rom. 8:26)
39. God's inheritance (Eph. 1:18)
40. Given the inheritance of God Himself (1 Pet. 1:4)
41. Given light in the Lord (2 Cor. 4:6)
42. United to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit (1 Thes. 1.1)
43. Blessed with the earnest or first-fruits of the Spirit (Eph. 1:14)
44. Born of the Spirit (Jn. 3:6)
45. Baptized in the Spirit (1 Cor. 12:13)
46. Indwelt by the Spirit (Rom. 8:9)
47. Sealed by the Spirit( 2 Cor. 1:22)
48. Complete in God (Col. 2:9,10)
49. Blessed with every spiritual blessing (Eph. 1:3)
50. Glorified (Rom. 8:18)



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Huios		Son	Adopted			Gal. 3:26; Rom 8:14,15
	Brephos	New-born	Infant	Desire for milk	Taught the basics.	<u>1 Pet. 2:2</u>
	Nepios	Toddler	Baby	Foolish Immature	Discernment	I Cor. 3:1; Heb. 5:13 <u>Eph. 4:14</u>
	Paidion	Child	Committed Disciple	Teachable	Discipline	1 Jn. 2:13,14 <u>1 Cor. 14:20</u>
	Neaniskos	Young Man	Victorious Disciple	Strong Applies the Word Defeats Satan	Consistent victory.	1 Jn. 2:13,14
	Pater	Father	Mature Disciple	Knowledgeable Teaches others	Reproduction	<u>1 Jn, 2:13.14</u> 1 Cor. 4:15











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