

# Sermon Notes

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## Desire God's Word because You Need It to Mature

1 Peter 2:1-3

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Chapter 1: Spiritual maturity process.

Last week: A step of growth in spiritual maturity is to do loving actions. The food which helps us grow in spiritual maturity is the word of God.

**2:1 Loving others is also stripping off our sinful behaviors that harm others.**

“Do I have any of this left in me?”

“What form does it take in my life?”

Malice

Deceit

Hypocrisy

Envy

Slander

**2:2 Like newborn babies, you should long for the pure milk of the word, because you need it, so that you may grow spiritually.**

We always need to grow. We always need the word of God, to grow.

Including pure/true instruction from the word of God

**2:3 Once you have tasted that the Lord is benevolent, you will long for more of God's direction, through His word.**

God is benevolent. He cares for our welfare, wants the best for us.

Live out His word and you will see that His ways are good.

What new thing might you start immediately because of what you learned today?

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**What is your response to this? Discuss it with someone today.**

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Application questions for 10/8/1973 sermon

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## **Desire God's Word because You Need It to Mature**

(Try to have everyone answer this question, at least briefly.)

What is something that in the last couple months you have said you wanted to work on, and how are you doing with that?

Do you think of stopping hurtful behaviors as being loving? And do you think of doing that as a spiritual activity, pleasing to God? Please explain your thinking.

What kind of behaviors did you use to do that hurt people, that you have stopped, or gotten significantly better on, over your time as a Chris-follower? How did that happen?

What behavior(s) that hurt other people do you still think you need to work on stopping?

(Try to have everyone answer this question.)

How do you measure spiritual maturity, and how do you view your own spiritual maturity?

Is there some way you think you need to change your view of what it means to be spiritual mature, or spiritually maturing?

What do you think are the essentials for a person to be spiritually maturing?

Why is continuing to feed on the word of God critical to spiritual growth?

**(Make sure to make it to this question. Try to have everyone share.)**

What do you want to do to give yourself to spiritually maturing? When and how will you start?

How have you tasted God's benevolence/goodness (that He knows the best ways to live and has your good and other's in mind)? How has that affected you?

Do you have a question for the group? It might be something you don't understand that others could help with, or something you think should be covered that hasn't.