

## “This is the maximum!!”

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*“Therefore, leaving the discussion of the elementary principles of Christ, let us go on to perfection, not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God”*. Hebrews 6:1. “Let us be carried unto perfection”. Not by our self-efforts, but by the power of God. The writer of Hebrews was frustrated by the dullness of the people in the Jerusalem Church. It had been 35 years since Christ had ascended. The Church hadn’t established a solid relationship with God and the author wanted the Church to grow up. Hebrews 5:12-14 says, *“For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food. For everyone who partakes only of milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe. But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil”*. The bottom line is that the members of the Jerusalem Church were still babies! They did not know right from wrong. Their conduct was elementary. The word Elementary comes from the Greek Bible word/αρχη (arche) which means *an attached cord*. The writer of Hebrews is straight up telling them that they are so spiritually immature that they are still attached to an umbilical cord. Wow! No holding back here. 😊

We are living in difficult times but this doesn’t change the strength of God. We need to *“be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might”*. Let’s stop allowing our own opinions and insecurities to govern our lives and let’s focus on the word of God. It becomes difficult to submit to the most basic of Biblical doctrines (teachings) if we don’t know what the requirements are. If we don’t know, how will we grow?

Psalms 1:3 says, *“He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither; and whatever he does shall prosper”*. Why like a tree planted by waters? Planted by water is a sign of prosperity. There are two qualifications to prosperity: **a.** Fruit will come in its season. Not right when it was planted. **b.** Meditate on God’s word and your actions become Godly. We can never max out in the Spirit. We can never reach the end. There is absolutely no limit to God.

Let’s learn of Him and put our own opinions aside. It is time to disconnect the cord, stop taking and begin to give back to the Kingdom.

