## WHAT IS SPIRITUAL MATURITY?

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#### What Spiritual Maturity Isn't

- Spiritual gifts
- 2. Seminary degrees
- 3. Faith like Oral Roberts
- 4. Making huge personal sacrifices
- 5. Being on fire for God

# I Corinthians 13:1-3

So what is love? I Corinthians 13:4-7 and verse 8: Love never ends.

And now for the maturity part: I Corinthians 13:11

What are childish ways? Anything that doesn't fit in verses 4-7!

How do we become mature? James 1:1-3

## What Is Maturity?

- I. Maturity is relating and responding to people and circumstances just like Jesus.
- 2. Maturity is <u>emotional intelligence</u>.
- 3. Immaturity is <u>acting like a toddler</u>. I Corinthians 3:I-3
- 4. Maturity is getting along with others—and loving and forgiving them when they can't get along with you. <u>Love never ends</u>. Another way to say this: Love has no limits. Is God's love for you limited? Is the love of God in you for others limited? 2 Corinthians 5:18-20
- 5. Love <u>God</u> with everything in you—and love your <u>neighbor</u> as much as you love yourself.
- 6. Maturity is relating and responding to people and circumstances just like Jesus.

Ephesians 5:21

I Corinthians 2:2

Galatians 2:20

Galatians 5:22-25

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