

Hope Chapel Series: “God will Go the Extra Mile to Bless” part 3

Message Summary: Becoming an adult physically happens pretty naturally. BUT, developing maturity does not. Just because someone is an adult by age does not mean they have developed maturity. These two things are entirely different. One happens with the passing of time, while the other requires a lot on intentionality and hard work. A similar dynamic exists in our relationship with God. Just because we have been a follower of Jesus for a number of years does not equal spiritual growth and maturity. Spiritual growth requires intentionality and hard work. It does not happen to us automatically. Today, we're going to explore how we establish our lives with spiritual growth in a way that God will bless.

Establish Your Life with Spiritual Growth: God Will Bless

- 1. Embrace spiritual growth as God’s path for your life - Ephesians 4:12-14**
 - A. Spiritual growth is God’s will for your life**
 - B. Spiritual growth is a path of freedom**

- 2. Know the difference between maturity and immaturity - 1 Corinthians 3:1**
 - A. Spiritual immaturity looks like the world**
 - B. Spiritual maturity looks like Jesus**

- 3. Be intentional with spiritual growth - Hebrews 5:12-14**
 - A. Constant learning**
 - B. Constant application**
 - C. Constant input from others**
 - D. Constant feedback**
 - E. Constant perseverance**

LifeGroup Questions:

BEGIN IT – (5min) Praise song and opening prayer.

OPEN IT- (10min) Share about your own spiritual journey. How did it begin? What has the experience been like? It’s OK to share the struggles, the confusion, even the heartache.

EXPLORE IT- (60min) Review Sunday’s sermon outline together and add addition notes people made about the message.

1. How do you feel knowing that spiritual growth is God’s will for your life? Excited, overwhelmed, confused, stressed, motivated?
2. Discuss the difference between spiritual immaturity and maturity.
3. How does Hebrews 5:12-14 help us understand what it takes to move towards spiritual maturity?
4. Discuss the five ways we can be “constant” in our pursuit of spiritual growth?

APPLY IT- (15min) How is God wanting you to partner with Him in your spiritual growth?