

**I. We need to face the \_\_\_\_\_ of spiritual immaturity (11-14).**

- A. Here are some \_\_\_\_\_ of immaturity (11-13).
1. They don’t \_\_\_\_\_ well to God’s Word (11).
  2. They ought to be teachers, but still need to be \_\_\_\_\_ (12a).
  3. They are stuck on the \_\_\_\_\_s of God’s Word (12b).
  4. They can’t handle solid \_\_\_\_\_ (12c).
  5. They don’t connect the Word to \_\_\_\_\_ living (13).
- B. Here are some \_\_\_\_\_ of maturity (14).
1. They can handle \_\_\_\_\_ food.
  2. They use what they \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. They have learned to discern what \_\_\_\_\_ God and what doesn’t.

**II. We need to get involved in the \_\_\_\_\_ of spiritual maturity (1-3).**

- A. We need a good \_\_\_\_\_ foundation.
- B. We need more than a good \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. We need to be moving towards \_\_\_\_\_.

**The Bottom Line: God intends for His children to grow up and resemble His \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Community Group Discussion:**

1. This morning we began a two-part message from Hebrews 5:11-6:3, “It’s Time to Stop Living on the Milk.” After reading the passage again, discuss what initially stands out most to you.
2. Verse 11 begins, “About this we have much to say.” About what? What subject has the writer been discussing in the previous context? In the rest of verse 11 he says that this subject is “hard to explain”. What reasons does he give for saying this?
3. In verse 12, we learn that the first readers of this epistle had a problem. What was their problem and what were the specific evidences of this problem?
4. In 1 Peter 2:2 Peter describes desiring the milk of the Word as a good thing. But in Hebrews 5:12 it’s not a good thing. What’s the difference? What is “milk” spiritually speaking? When is it good to receive spiritual milk? When is it not good?
5. According to verses 12-13, how can we tell if someone is spiritually *immature*? According to verse 14, how can we tell if someone is spiritually *mature*?
6. After discussing these questions, spend time as a group *praying the Word*. Have someone give thanks for this helpful (and painful) truth we’ve learned today. Have others offer requests for spiritual growth for those who are living on milk.