

1 PETER 2:2

Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation.

1 CORINTHIANS 3:1-2

1 Brothers, I could not address you as spiritual but as worldly--mere infants in Christ.

2 I gave you milk, not solid food, for you were not yet ready for it. Indeed, you are still not ready.

EPHESIANS 4:11-15

11 It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, 12 to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up 13 until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

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HEBREWS 5:11-14

11 We have much to say about this, but it is hard to explain because you are slow to learn. 12 In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word all over again. You need milk, not solid food! 13 Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. 14 But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.

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INFANT CHRISTIANS

1PE.2:2 – “Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk...”

- ✓ spiritually **IGNORANT** but **INQUIRING**
- ✓ steadily **INCREASING** and **IMPROVING**

IMMATURE CHRISTIANS

HE.5:12 – “Though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths...”

- ✓ still **IGNORANT** of the **WORD**
- ✓ still **INFLUENCED** by the **WORLD**
- ✓ still **INCONSISTENT** in their **WALK**
- ✓ still **INUNDATED** with **WORRIES**
- ✓ still **INFANTILE** in their **WHINING**
- ✓ still **INDIFFERENT** to the **WORK**

INSTRUCTION to CHRISTIANS

1PE.2:2 – “Grow up in your salvation.”

- ✓ grow **UP** in **COMMITMENT**
- ✓ grow **UP** in **CONSISTENCY**
- ✓ grow **UP** in **CONFIDENCE**
- ✓ grow **UP** in **CONTENTMENT**