

2. Explain the difference between *worldly wisdom* and *spiritual wisdom*, and how this relates to *maturity*.

3. If a Christian friend tells you he is a strong believer but he just doesn't think going to church is necessary, what could you share with him?

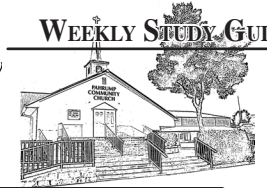
PERSONAL APPLICATION

List three specific ways you will evaluate spiritual maturity in your own life.

If you have never been *born again*, contact Pastor Keith or a trusted Christian friend this week to find out how.



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God Expects You to Become Spiritually Mature

Introduction: 1 TIMOTHY 3:1-6.

Five elements of spiritual maturity:

1. God wants you to _____ in the _____ of _____.

1 TIMOTHY 3:6, 10; LUKE 8:13; COLOSSIANS 2:6-7; 2 PETER 3:18

2. God wants you to _____.

1 TIMOTHY 3:10; PSALM 1:1-6; PROVERBS 9:10; 2:6

3. God wants you to _____.

1 TIMOTHY 3:10; HEBREWS 5:14; MATTHEW 10:16

4. God wants you to _____ on _____.

1 CORINTHIANS 12:12, 24-27; EPHESIANS 4:11-16

5. God wants you to _____.

1 TIMOTHY 3:6, 10; PROVERBS 24:10;

JAMES 1:4; LUKE 8:15

Conclusion: God wants you

_____!



STUDY QUESTIONS

1. Read 1 TIMOTHY 3:6 and answer the following questions.
 - a. This passage doesn't specify how long after salvation a believer is considered a *recent convert*. How should this be interpreted? Defend your answer.

 - b. The ESV translation says a *recent convert* *...may become puffed up with conceit*. What does this mean and how does it happen?

 - c. This verse says such a person would *fall into the condemnation of the devil*. In what way might God's dealings with a conceited Christian be similar to His dealings with the devil?

2. Using MATTHEW 6:1-21, list at least four traits that would indicate spiritual immaturity in a person.

- Use the same passage to list at least four traits that are true of a spiritually mature believer.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Explain the difference between *knowledge* and *wisdom*, and how this relates to *maturity*.