Still An Infant Cont.

<u>Hebrews 6:12</u> - *We do not want you to become lazy, but to imitate those who through faith and patience inherit what has been promised.* NIV

We're Expected To Move From Infancy To Maturity

<u>Hebrews 5:11-14</u> - *There is much more we would like to say about this, but it is difficult to explain, especially since you are spiritually dull and don't seem to listen.* [12] *You have been believers so long now that you ought to be teaching others. Instead, you need someone to teach you again the basic things about God's word. You are like babies who need milk and cannot eat solid food.* [13] *For someone who lives on milk is still an infant and doesn't know how to do what is right.* [14] *Solid food is for those who are mature, who through training have the skill to recognize the difference between right and wrong.*

1. **Indifference To God's Word**.

<u>Hebrews 2:1-4</u> - *So we must listen very carefully to the truth we have heard, or we may drift away from it.* [2] *For the message God delivered through angels has always stood firm, and every violation of the law and every act of disobedience was punished.* [3] *So what makes us think we can escape if we ignore this great salvation that was first announced by the Lord Jesus himself and then delivered to us by those who heard him speak?* [4] *And God confirmed the message by giving signs and wonders and various miracles and gifts of the Holy Spirit whenever he chose.*

<u>Hebrews 3:12-14</u> - *Be careful then, dear brothers and sisters. Make sure that your own hearts are not evil and unbelieving, turning you away from the living God.* [13] *You must warn each other every day, while it is still "today," so that none of you will be deceived by sin and hardened against God.* [14] *For if we are faithful to the end, trusting God just as firmly as when we first believed, we will share in all that belongs to Christ.*

2. **Failure To Share Hope**.

3. **Living On An Insufficient Diet.**

Living On Milk Leads To A Stagnant Faith Walk

1) **We Begin Our Christian Walk On The Foundation Of Christ's Finished Work Here On Earth.**
2) **We Mature On The Root Of His Ongoing Work In Heaven.**

<u>Hebrews 13:20-21</u> - *Now may the God of peace who brought up from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, and ratified an eternal covenant with his blood* [21] *may he equip you with all you need for doing his will. May he produce in you, through the power of Jesus Christ, every good thing that is pleasing to him. All glory to him forever and ever! Amen.*

4. **Unskilled In Handling God's Word**

<u>1 Timothy 4:7-8</u> - *Do not waste time arguing over godless ideas and old wives' tales. Instead, train yourself to be godly.* [8] *"Physical training is good, but training for godliness is much better, promising benefits in this life and in the life to come."*

Spiritual Growth Comes From The Decision To Discipline Oneself.