

# How Mature Are You?

## Interactive Outline

Sunday, 10:30 a.m. April 27, 2014

Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 14:20 Speaker: Adam Pogue

## 1) Why It Matters:

- A. A Church is Only As Mature As the Individual Saints (Ephesians 4:14-16)
- B. Results of a Weak Church:
  - 1) Some fall away
  - 2) Some create stumbling blocks
  - 3) Some bring lack of knowledge
- 4) Some bring indifference
- 5) Some halt growth

Notes:

## 2) Reasons For Immaturity:

#### A. A Lack of Desire

- 1) Physically speaking, children WANT to grow!
- 2) Spiritually speaking, do you WANT to grow? (1 Peter 2:1-2)
- 3) We must maintain our desire.

#### B. A Lack of Food

- 1) Physically speaking, how often do you eat?
- 2) Spiritually speaking, how often do you eat? (Matthew 4:4)
- 3) Don't miss out on times to feast! (Hebrews 5:11-14)

### C. A Lack of Practice

- 1) Practice is essential to physical development.
- 2) Practice is essential to spiritual development. (Hebrews 5:14; 1 Timothy 4:7)

#### D. A Lack of Patience

- 1) "Always Earned, Never Given!"
- 2) Spiritually speaking, maturity is a process. (James 1:4)
- 3) Don't be discouraged by mistakes.
  - Remember Moses, David, Apostles, Peter, Thomas, Paul, etc...

Notes:

# What must I do to be saved?

<u>Hear</u>: Romans 10:17, Acts 2:37. <u>Believe</u>: Hebrews 11:6, Acts 18:8. <u>Repent</u>: Matthew 4:17, Acts 17:30-31. <u>Confess</u>: Mat. 10:32-33, John 11:25-27. <u>Be Baptized</u>: Mat. 28:19, Acts 2:38, 1 Peter 3:21.