



40 *days of* Prayer

It's Time To Grow Up!

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How We Are Empowered To Grow

We have much to say about this, but it is hard to explain because you are slow to learn. 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! Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. But solid food is for the mature, who by **constant use** have **trained themselves** to distinguish good from evil.

Heb 5:11-14

Three Habits Of Jesus

Mark 10:1 Focus on the Word

“...crowds of people came to him, and as was his custom, he taught them.”

Luke 4:16 Focus on Worship

“He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom.”

Luke 22:39 Focus on Prayer

“Jesus went out as usual to the Mount of Olives, and his disciples followed him.”

P.R.A.Y.

- P = Praise

*“I will **praise** You, O Lord my God, with all my heart, And I will glorify Your name forevermore.”* Psalm 86:12

- R = Repent

*“**Repent**, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord.”* Acts 3:19

- A = Ask

*“Therefore I tell you, whatever you **ask** in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.”* Mark 11:24

- Y = Yield

*“Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless, **not my will**, but yours be done.”* Luke 22:42

Two Challenges

1. **P.R.A.Y.** every day this week.

2. **Commit** to 40 Days Of Prayer
beginning next Sunday