



## 7 SIGNS OF SPIRITUAL MATURITY (Sunday October 17, 2004)

What is spiritual maturity? What does it mean to be spiritually mature? How do we assess if we are truly maturing spiritually?

There are 3 Greek words that will help us in our study. These 3 Greek words are used often in the New Testament in the context of spiritual maturity.

### **3 Greek Words**

'teleios' = Complete – of full age, mature, a perfect man.

- in various applications refers to mental growth and moral character.

'pleero' = to fill up, full off, diffuse, influence.

'katartizo' = to complete thoroughly, thorough equipping.

Matthew 5:48 = 'teleios'

Jesus challenges us to be full-grown people, people who are mature and of full-age (adults) because that's how God is!! God is not childish!!

Colossians 1:28 = 'teleios'

This is the goal of Christian Ministry – to present each person of full-age (mature, adult) in Christ.

1. **Christ likeness** - Ephesians 4:13 - 'teleios'.
2. **Perfect (teleios) and complete (pleero) in all the will of God** – Colossians 4:12 (A life completely aligned to God's will).
3. **Thorough Equipping** – 2 Corinthians 13:9,11; Hebrews 13:20-21.
4. **Able to receive solid meat** – Hebrews 5:11 – 6:3; 1 Corinthians 2:6.
5. **Discern good and evil.** – Hebrews 5:14
6. **Putting away childish things** – 1 Corinthians 13:11; 1 Corinthians 3:1-4. We cannot remain childish in our thought, understanding and words. To be carnal is being childish. Envy, division, strife, competition, selfish-ambition are all various forms of childish behaviour.
7. **Keeping the tongue and the whole body in subjection** – James 3:2 (teleios).



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