



Maturity #2

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Mature Christians

- **Accept responsibility for their actions**
- **Don't pout when they don't get their way**
- **Trust and obey God**
- **Have their own personal convictions**
- **Know when to do battle**

Mature Christians

- **Control their tongue**
 - **Words of kindness (Prov. 31:26)**
 - **Words of Gossip are not kind**
 - **Hurtful words are not kind**
 - **Neither are Angry words**

Jesus said:

- **“But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment. For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned” (Matt. 12:36-37)**

Mature Christians

- **Put the other person first (Phil. 2:1-4)**
 - **Example: Paul (Acts 21:7-14)**
- **Allow trials to produce fruit (Jas. 1:2-5); Rom. 5:3-4; 8:18-23)**
 - **Trials will either destroy you or make you stronger – it depends upon the person**
- **Control themselves (1 Cor. 9:27)**
 - **Anger, lust, etc.**

How Do We Become Mature?

- **Grow in Grace (2 Pet. 3:18)**
 - Peter knew of that grace when he denied the Lord
 - Paul knew that grace
 - “Least of all the apostles (1 Cor. 15:9)
 - “Chief of sinners” (1 Tim. 1:15)
- **Grow in knowledge**