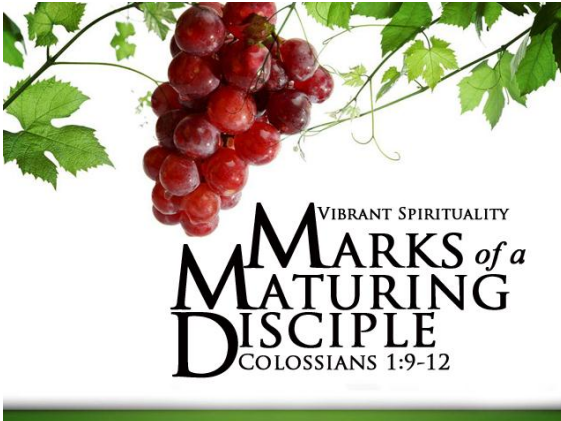
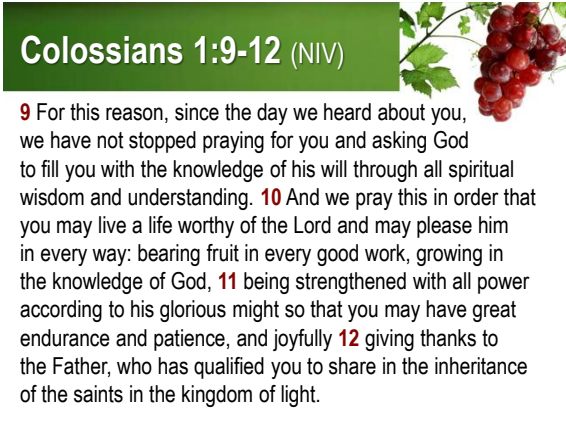




VIBRANT SPIRITUALITY

Review of Hearing God

- I. **Know** that the Holy Spirit dwells in us and we must intentionally **posture** to connect with Him.
- II. Know that God loves us and use many **vehicles** and **channels** to speak to us.
- III. Through the many vehicles and channels, we receive and hear God speaking primarily **in our inner-being** i.e. **spirit and soul**.
- IV. Hearing God **plus** doing His Word bring increasing Wisdom for life and increasing Revelation.

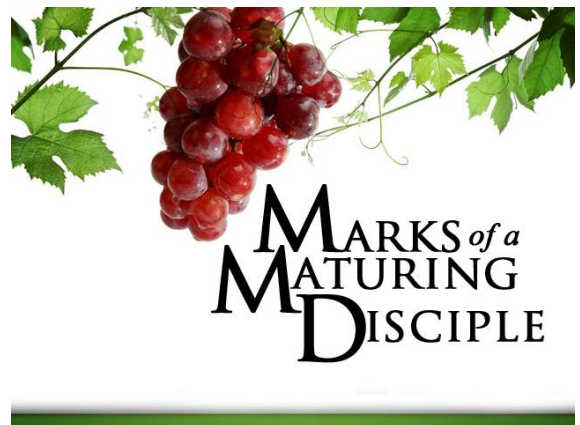
Colossians 1:9-12 (NIV)

9 For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding. **10** And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, **11** being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and joyfully **12** giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light.

Mission Statement



To Share Christ as
we **Mature** in Him



Marks of a Maturing Disciple



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Jeremiah 9:23-24

23 Thus says the Lord: "Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, let not the mighty man glory in his might, nor let the rich man glory in his riches; **24** but let him who glories glory in this, that he understands and knows Me, that I am the Lord, exercising lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness in the earth. For in these I delight," says the Lord.

I. A life walk that is worthy of the Lord.



Matthew 5:16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

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II. Pleasing God in every way.

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II. Pleasing God in every way.



1. Obedience.

Luke 3:21-22

21 When all the people were baptized, it came to pass that Jesus also was baptized; and while He prayed, the heaven was opened. **22** And the Holy Spirit descended in bodily form like a dove upon Him, and a voice came from heaven which said, "You are My beloved Son; in You I am well pleased."

II. Pleasing God in every way.



2. Faith.

Hebrews 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

II. Pleasing God in every way.



3. Worship.

John 4:23-24

23 But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. 24 God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”

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III. A life that bears fruit in every good work.

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III. A life that bears fruit in every good work.

1. Person.

Romans 8:29 For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.

1. Person.

Mathew 16:24-27

24 Then Jesus said to His disciples, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. 25 For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. 26 For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? 27 For the Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and then He will reward each according to his works.

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III. A life that bears fruit in every good work.

2. Purpose.

Ephesians 2:10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

III. A life that bears fruit in every good work.

Acts 10:38 How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.

Luke 4:18 The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed ...

III. A life that bears **fruit** in every good work.



John 15:5 I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, **bears much fruit**; for without Me you can do nothing.

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IV. A life that grows in the **knowledge of God**.

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IV. A life that grows in the **knowledge of God**.



2 Peter 3:18 But **grow in the grace and knowledge** of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and forever. Amen.

IV. A life that grows in the **knowledge of God**.



Philippians 3:10 **that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings**, being conformed to His death ...

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V. A life with supernatural strength to **endure** to finish well.

Colossians 1:11 being **strengthened** with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great **endurance** and patience, and joyfully ... (NIV)

V. A life with supernatural strength to **endure** to finish well.



James 1:3-4
3 knowing that the testing of your faith produces **patience**. **4** But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be **perfect and complete, lacking nothing**.

V. A life with supernatural strength to endure to finish well.



Romans 5:3-5

3 And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; 4 and perseverance, character; and character, hope. 5 Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

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VI. A life of gratefulness.

Colossians 1:12 giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light.

VI. A life of gratefulness.



1 Thessalonians 5:18 in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

VI. A life of gratefulness.



Romans 1:21 because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

SUMMARY

- Marks of a Maturing Disciple



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- II. Pleasing God in every ways.
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- V. A life with supernatural strength to endure to finish well.
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