

the Venues

Go Deep Oh, Grow Up! 7.9.17

What was your favorite childhood toy?

Name one thing you miss about being a kid.

1. Age is not a guarantee of maturity.

What adult do you know who doesn't "act their age"?

Read 1 Corinthians 13:11 and 1 Corinthians 3:1-4

What childish behaviors does Paul mention? Can you add to the list? What is the significance of Paul's statement of "putting away childish things" being in the context of the "love chapter"?

Susan Heitler, Ph.D, Psychology says, "Here's Your Sign"
"10 Signs You Are a Childish Adult"

Circle all that sometime describes you.

- 1) Emotional Escalations.
- 2) Blaming others when things go wrong.
- 3) Lying to stay out of trouble.
- 4) Name calling
- 5) Poor impulse control
- 6) Need to be the center of attention
- 7) Bullying
- 8) Narcissistic
- 9) Immature defenses. "Hit back,"
- 10) No ability to see, acknowledge, and learn from mistakes.

2. Are we stuck in spiritual childhood?

What does it mean to "move from Moses (the law giver) to Micah (see Micah 6:8)?

What role do rules and boundaries play in a child's development?

What does John mean in John 1:17? What does that verse tell us about spiritual maturity?

What point is Jesus trying to make with his object lesson in Luke 5:36-38?

Read Hebrews 5:11-14.

What are the “basic elements” the writer mentions? How does the writer describe the mature person in verse 14? How does the mature person distinguish between good and evil?

What do these verses say about living by rules?

Colossians 2:16-23

Galatians 5:4-25

3. How do I grow up?

Read the following and develop a plan:

Ephesians 4:6

Ephesians 4:31-32

1 Peter 2:1-2

1 Corinthians 13:11

1 Corinthians 12:31

1 Corinthians 14:1

Most of us could use some help with growing up. Check [here](#) for some good “helpers.”