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# Where are we up to?

The people of God are called  
to enter into **God's [sabbath] rest**



We have a great High Priest,  
**Jesus, the Son of God**



*Let us therefore come boldly  
to the **throne of grace**,  
that we may **receive mercy**  
and **find grace** to help in time of need.*

(Hebrews 4:16)

## A High Priest

as pictured in Aaron

But an entirely  
different order

### Psalm 110:4

“You are a priest forever

According to the order of **Melchizedek**”

(Hebrews 5:6)



## Who is Melchizedek?

Then Melchizedek **king** of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was the **priest** of God Most High.

(Genesis 14:18)



**But  
there is  
a problem**

**“You have become dull of hearing...”**





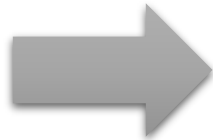
You need someone to teach you **again**  
the **first principles** of the oracles of God



Milk and not solid food



After such  
a long time,  
still...



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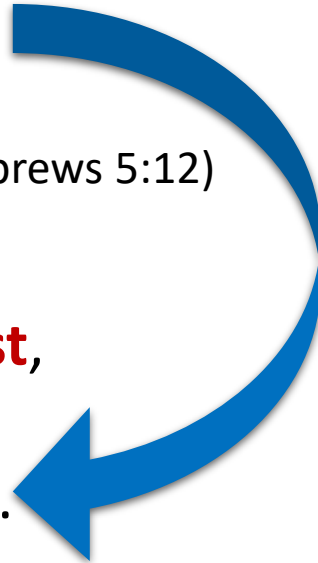
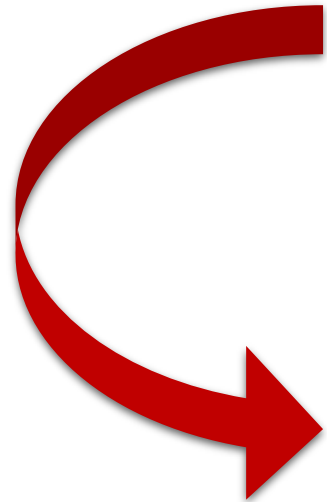


... you need someone to teach you **again**  
**the first principles of the oracles of God;**  
and you have come to need **milk**  
and not solid food.

(Hebrews 5:12)

Therefore, leaving  
**the elementary doctrine of Christ,**  
let us go on to maturity  
not laying **again** **the foundation...**

(Hebrews 6:1)



# The elementary doctrine of **Christ**

Literally: “The word (or message) of the beginning of Christ.”

The **foundation** of...  
repentance from dead works  
and of faith toward God,  
of the doctrine of baptisms,  
of laying on of hands,  
of resurrection of the dead,  
and of eternal judgment.

(Hebrews 6:1-2)

This is just  
the milk!

# The **foundation**...

*“By the deeds of the law no  
flesh will be justified...”*  
(Romans 3:20)



**The elementary  
doctrine of Christ**

- **Repentance from dead works**

See also Hebrews 9:14

*“The Father sent the Son  
as saviour of the world.”*  
(1 John 4:14)

- **Faith toward God**

Hebrews 11:6

# The foundation...

Baptism

- In **water**
- In the **Holy Spirit**



The elementary  
doctrine of **Christ**

- **The doctrine of baptisms**

Washings: Hebrews 9:10, Mark 7:4,8

*“Having fasted and prayed,  
and **laid hands on them**,  
they sent them away.”*

(Acts 13:3)

- **The laying on of hands**

See: Leviticus 1:4, Acts 8:17, 9:17, 19:6, 1 Timothy 4:14, 5:22, 2 Timothy 1:6

# The **foundation**...



*"If in this life only we  
have hope in Christ..."*

(1 Corinthians 15:19)

- **The resurrection of the dead**

*"We shall all stand before the  
judgement seat of Christ."*

(Romans 14:10)

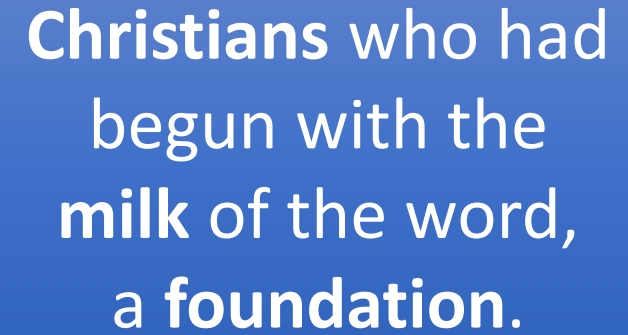
- **Eternal judgement**

Hebrews 9:27

# Who are the people who have fallen away?

Those who  
were once **enlightened**,  
and have tasted the **heavenly gift**,  
and have become partakers of the **Holy Spirit**,  
and have tasted the good **word of God**  
and the powers of the **age to come...**

(Hebrews 6:4-5)



Christians who had  
begun with the  
**milk of the word**,  
a **foundation**.



The **foundation** of...

They were once  
enlightened...

- **Repentance from dead works**

They tasted of the  
heavenly gift...

- **Faith toward God**



The elementary  
doctrine of **Christ**

The **foundation** of...

They had become  
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The elementary  
doctrine of **Christ**

- **The doctrine of baptisms**

They had tasted  
the good word of God

- **The laying on of hands**

The **foundation** of...

They had tasted of the powers of the age to come...

- **The resurrection of the dead**
  - **Eternal judgement**



The elementary  
doctrine of **Christ**

Therefore, leaving  
the elementary doctrine of Christ,  
**LET US GO ON TO MATURITY,**

not laying again **the foundation** of

- repentance from dead works
- and of faith toward God,
- of the doctrine of baptisms,
- of laying on of hands,
- of resurrection of the dead,
- and of eternal judgment.

**And this we will do if God permits.**

(Hebrews 6:1-3)



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**Let us go on to maturity!**

**Yes, but  
what can we do?**

**TWO THINGS**

# WHAT CAN WE DO?

## 1. Live out your faith in your DAILY LIFE!

- Begin each day as a disciple of Christ.
- Read, listen, think, talk and pray to gain knowledge and wisdom.
- Deal with sins in your life, one by one.

*Get wisdom!  
Get understanding!*  
(Proverbs 4:5)

*Make every effort to add  
to your faith virtue, to virtue, knowledge...*  
(2 Peter 1:5)



# WHAT CAN WE DO?

## Dealing with sins in your life...

- Listen to what **others** are telling you
- &
- Listen to **yourself** making excuses





# Dealing with sins in your life...

My parents always  
tell me to...

My wife says  
that I am lazy...

At home I always  
get angry with...

When I start playing  
I forget the time...

But everybody  
does it...!

I'm always  
running late...

I can't help it, I'm  
always like that...

There's no harm  
just looking...

I don't tell them  
what I'm doing...

My friends say  
I'm mean...



# WHAT CAN WE DO?

## 2. Make time for the work of the Kingdom!

- Change your priorities - list the ways you waste time.
- Look out for where you can offer help.
- Find more experienced disciples and work with them.

*Be steadfast, immovable,  
always abounding in the work of the Lord*  
(1 Corinthians 15:58)





*All*  
LET US GO ON TO MATURITY  
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