PRESS ON TO MATURITY

Daily Meditation - Wednesday July 9, 2025

The Bible uses the terms milk, meat, strong meat, and new wine to describe different stages of spiritual maturity. Are you moving forward in the things of God? Are you hot, cold, or lukewarm?

The Bible says, "Of whom we have many things to say, and hard to be uttered, seeing ye are dull of hearing. For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat. For every one that useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe. But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil" (Heb. 5:11-14 KJV).

If you're cold or lukewarm can I give you a suggestion? Go back and do what you were doing when you were on fire for the Lord. In fact, to get Satan really mad, go back and double up what you were doing. You're in a spiritual war. If you were not, God would not have told you to put on spiritual armor everyday (see Eph. 6:10-20).

The Bible says, "Therefore leaving the elementary teaching about the Christ, let *us press on* to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, of instruction about washings and laying on of hands, and the resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment. And this we will do, if God permits" (Heb. 6:1-3).¹

Let us *press on* to maturity! And don't focus on the things of the world but focus on Jesus. The Bible says, "Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God" Heb. 12:1-2).

PRAYER FOR SALVATION – Father God, I repent of all my sins, and I believe you raised Jesus from the dead. I confess that Jesus Christ is the Lord of my life. Jesus, wash me with your holy blood. Holy Spirit fill me so I can be a mighty witness for King Jesus!

¹ All Scripture quotations, unless otherwise noted, are from the *New American Standard Bible*.