

Let's Study Hebrews Together; **5;12-14**

1. Put **V 12-14** in your own words; when a baby is born it is assumed he/she will grow, they will eventually depart from baby food and start eating adult food. Now in the same way when we are born again we need baby food, the milk of the word, but it should also be assumed that we also will grow, and as we grow we will need more solid food. There are many today who come to know the LORD and 20 years later are still nursing at the breast of others rather than developing a strong personal relationship themselves.
 - a. What would prepare us to be teachers, and why would some not be prepared? Hard study of the Word and the practice of living a holy disciplined life is the only thing that can prepare us to be teachers. *(Reading and study are two different things; you can read a text book and yet not master the subject.)* If you are not prepared you have no business teaching others.
 - b. What is the difference between milk and solid food? Milk is simple euphemisms, learning basic tenants of the faith, and even bible characters, but not knowing the deep meaning of a life of faith.
 - c. Why would some walking with the LORD for a period of time still need milk? The bottom line is they are lazy. Another common reason for spiritual retardation is not being willing to pay the price of unconditional faith.
 - d. We ridicule people by calling them a baby, what does it mean at this time? When they are either unwilling or unable to stand for the faith, and or everything is more than they can handle.
 - c. What does it mean to be of full age? Those who know and practice their faith with full assurance, and a good degree of

consistency. They are also those who are unwilling to stay where they are but desire to continue to grow in the faith.

d. How are our senses exercised to discern both good and evil? Exercise requires hard work and consistency, which strengthens the muscles, and the in same way as we experience the difficulties of life and lift them to the LORD we grow in the strength of the LORD.

2. How would this all apply to you personally, and in your usefulness to the Lord? It is one thing to have the desire to be used of the LORD, but it is another thing to do something about it. I believe all of us many times come to the place of decision, and our decision must be to follow wherever He leads.