

Messianic 301: Perfecting Your Faith “Maturing in Messiah”

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Heb 6:2 Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment.

Heb 6:3 And this will we do, if God permit.

Heb 6:4 For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost,

Heb 6:5 And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come,

Heb 6:6 If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.

Heb 6:7 For the earth which drinketh in the rain that cometh oft upon it, and bringeth forth herbs meet for them by whom it is dressed, receiveth blessing from God:

Heb 6:8 But that which beareth thorns and briers is rejected, and is nigh unto cursing; whose end is to be burned.

Heb 6:9 But, beloved, we are persuaded better things of you, and things that accompany salvation, though we thus speak.

Heb 6:10 For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shown toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister.

Heb 6:11 And we desire that every one of you do show the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end:

Heb 6:12 That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

TODAY'S MESSAGE

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There are a few things we want to observe in these verses to lay the foundation for the message
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(5046) t'eleiov, — tel'-i-os; from (5056) (t'elov); complete (in various applications of labor, growth, mental and moral character, etc.); neuter (as noun, with (3588) ('o)) completeness: — of full age, man, perfect.

(5047) teleio'thv, — tel-i-ot'-ace; from (5046) (t'eleiov); (the state) completeness (mental or moral): — perfection (-ness).

Heb 6:1 THEREFORE LET us go on and get past the elementary stage in the teachings and doctrine of Messiah (the Messiah), advancing steadily toward the completeness and perfection that belong to spiritual maturity. Let us not again be laying the foundation of repentance and abandonment of dead works (dead formalism) and of the faith [by which you turned] to God, Amplified Bible

HEB 6:1 Therefore leaving the elementary teaching about the Messiah, let us press on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, (New American Standard Bible)

The Hebrew writer implies there are things that should accompany our salvation.
We talked about these in Messianic 201: Adding to Your Faith

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The Hebrew writer further states:

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Paul writes to the Corinthians

1Co 2:1 And I, brethren, when I came to you, came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, declaring unto you the testimony of God.

1Co 2:2 For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Yeshua Messiah, and him crucified.

1Co 2:3 And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling.

1Co 2:6 Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought:

1Co 2:7 But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory:

1Co 2:8 Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory

Eph 4:7 But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Messiah.

Eph 4:8 Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.

Eph 4:9 (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?

Eph 4:10 He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)

Eph 4:11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

Eph 4:12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Messiah:

(2675) katart'izw, — kat-ar-tid'-zo; from (2596) (kat'a) and a derivative of (739) ('artiov); to complete thoroughly, i.e. repair (literal or figurative) or adjust: — fit, frame, mend, (make) perfect (-ly join together), prepare, restore.

(2677) katartism'ov, — kat-ar-tis-mos'; from (2675) (katart'izw); complete furnishing (object): — perfecting.

Eph 4:13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Messiah:

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Eph 4:14 That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

Eph 4:15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Messiah:

Eph 4:16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love

The letter to the Thessalonians is where we find the Keys to this teaching. It is where we identify the things that may be lacking and what must be done to perfect our faith and to Mature in Messiah.

1Th 3:1 Wherefore when we could no longer forbear, we thought it good to be left at Athens alone;

1Th 3:2 And sent Timotheus, our brother, and minister of God, and our fellowlabourer in the gospel of Christ, to establish you, and to comfort you concerning your faith:

1Th 3:3 That no man should be moved by these afflictions: for yourselves know that we are appointed thereunto.

1Th 3:4 For verily, when we were with you, we told you before that we should suffer tribulation; even as it came to pass, and ye know.

1Th 3:5 For this cause, when I could no longer forbear, I sent to know your faith, lest by some means the tempter have tempted you, and our labour be in vain

1Th 3:6 But now when Timotheus came from you unto us, and brought us good tidings of your faith and charity, and that ye have good remembrance of us always, desiring greatly to see us, as we also to see you:

1Th 3:7 Therefore, brethren, we were comforted over you in all our affliction and distress by your faith:

1Th 3:8 For now we live, if ye stand fast in the Lord.

1Th 3:9 For what thanks can we render to God again for you, for all the joy wherewith we joy for your sakes before our God;

1Th 3:10 Night and day praying exceedingly that we might see your face, and might perfect that which is lacking in your faith?

Notice the “?” in lacking in your faith?

What is Lacking? How does Paul know?

1st Thessalonians 4:1 – 5:28