

TALK IT OVER

Growing Pains:

Maturity and Surrender

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Start Talking: Find a conversation starter for your group or use one of these.

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Please read **1 Corinthians 3:1-9** aloud.

- Where does growing up spiritually begin when God asks us to surrender?

Please read **Ephesians 1:18-23** aloud.

- Why do you think surrender of control is so hard, even when we trust God?
- Where might God be asking me to lead faithfully while still surrendering the outcome to Him?

Please read **Ephesians 4:25-32** aloud.

- Why are healthy boundaries part of maturity?
- How can we address an offense without letting it control our thoughts, emotions, or actions?

Please read **Proverbs 16:1-4** aloud.

- What is the difference between taking action in faith and trying to control the outcome?
- In what ways can I begin to rest in God's faithfulness rather than trying to control the outcomes?

Please read **Galatians 2:20** aloud.

- How do you take responsibility without carrying everything on your own?

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Start Praying: Be bold and pray with power.

Father, teach us to walk in maturity; to lead while surrendering control to You, trusting Your ways rather than our own. Help us to set wise boundaries and surrender offense, addressing hurt without being controlled by it. Give us courage to act in faith and leave the outcomes to You, trusting that You complete the work You start. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Leader: Make time to pray for and with each other. Break into groups of three, take time for healing prayer, or pray with individuals requesting prayer. This is important!

Start Doing:

Philippians 1:6 AMP

I am convinced and confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will [continue to] perfect and complete it until the day of Christ Jesus [the time of His return].

This week, consider that maturity isn't having it all figured out. It's being surrendered to the God who is working in us. Each day, ask yourself, "What do I need to surrender this week? Offense? Outcome? My Life?"

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