

What should we learn from the example of newborn babies about spiritual hunger (2:2)?

What cravings for food or drink do toddlers and teens develop that do not contribute to healthy growth?

How do we try to get toddlers and teens to eat healthy foods? Share something you did as a parent.

What is the reason Peter gives for us craving God's word (2:3)?

How did focusing on God's goodness help the Psalmist (Psalm 73) increased desire for God?

How might focusing on the faithfulness and goodness of God help you cultivate a greater desire for His Word?

Live It!

Pray Ephesians 1:17 every time you sit down to read the Bible.

Read Psalm 119 one section a day during the month of July observing the benefits of God's word in the life of the believer.

Repent. Identify one signature sin from Colossians 3 or 1 Peter 2 that you will watch for, name as sin and turn away from for the next 40 days.

Memorize Psalm 1.

Studies in First Peter

Growing in Christ

1 Peter 2:1-3

Sunday, June 28, 2020

Sermon Proposition

It Is Time for You to Grow Up as a Christ-follower!

Growing Up Requires Craving Spiritual Food

Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation...

1 Peter 2:2 (NIV)

Growing Up Requires Giving Up Old Habits

Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind.

1 Peter 2:1 (NIV)

Growing Up Requires Cultivating a Godly Appetite

grow up in your salvation,³ now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.

1 Peter 2:3 (NIV)

My Next Step:

Studies in First Peter

Discussion Guide
1 Peter 1:22 – 2:3

Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart.²³ For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God.²⁴ For, "All people are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and the flowers fall,²⁵ but the word of the Lord endures forever." And this is the word that was preached to you.

Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind.² Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation,³ now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.

1 Peter 1:22 – 2:3 (NIV)

Open It

You're flying back into the United States after travels to a foreign country. What food do you crave? When you get home what do you look forward to enjoying again? Why do you crave this particular food?

Consider It

What old sinful behaviors does Peter identify as a problem for first Century believers (2:1)?

How is Peter's list similar or different to Paul's list (Col 3:5-9)?

What might you do to "get rid" of lice or bed bugs?

Why are we less concerned with getting rid of sinful habits (2:1) than bed bugs or lice?