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Sermon Notes for February 23rd, 2025

“Growing in Christ”

“Moving Beyond the Basics”

Sermon Text: **Hebrews 5:11-6:2 (p. 1278)**; Old Testament Text: **Psalms 105:16-22 (p. 640)**;

New Gospel Text: **John 3:29-36 (p. 1130)**.

Read **Hebrews 5:11-6:2 (below)** as you listen to the sermon, then answer the questions below.

Hebrews 5:11-6:2: About this we have much to say, and it is hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing. ¹²For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic principles of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food, ¹³for everyone who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, since he is a child. ¹⁴But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil. ⁶Therefore let us leave the elementary doctrine of Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, ²and of instruction about washings, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment.

1. Read **Hebrews 5:11 (above)**. About what does the author of Hebrews have much to say?

Why has it become *hard to explain*?

2. Read **Hebrews 5:12-13 (above)**. What is wrong with the Hebrews that makes it so difficult to teach them?

How worried would a parent be for a son or daughter who still got all his or her nourishment only from milk, even though they were teenagers?

What point is the author of Hebrews trying to make when he says, “*you need milk, not solid food?*”

What does your current “spiritual diet” consist of, milk or solid food?

3. Read **Hebrews 5:14 (above)**. According to v. 14, what marks a person as a mature believer?
4. Read **Hebrews 6:1-2 (above)**. What is the author of Hebrews main complaint about the Hebrews?

What should they be concerned about at this point in their Christian walk?

5. What are some reasons believers fail to see the importance in spiritual growth?
6. What will you remember most from this message?