WEEK 02

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> DISCUSS

"For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age." Titus 2:11-12

Last week we discussed the importance of applying grace in our lives. As you approach the topic of maturity, remember to let grace guide your conversation.

- 1) What is the best thing about yourself? Why?
- 2) How did that question make you feel?

3) Pastor CJ said we are all on a growth journey and grace is essential as we recognize people are not yet fully formed. How are you unrealistic in your view of your own development (could be positive or negative) or the development of others?

4) Hud says, "complete maturity is an unattainable goal, but it is the goal nonetheless". Is Hud's take on maturity inspiring, daunting, or something else entirely to you?

"How do we be in a vibrant relationship with the Holy, without there being any other end game?"

The goal of all growth is an evolving relationship with Jesus. Knowing him more, loving him more, and being more like him. The more we grow in Christ's likeness, the more God entrusts us with. And as we are faithful with what God's given us, the more he grows us into the character of Christ. This process stretches us, sometimes in really uncomfortable ways. But the more we embrace this journey of growth, the more life we'll find in Jesus.

Read Matthew 25:14-29. This passage is an example of how God gives us responsibilities for the purpose of growth.

- 5) Was the master being mean in this parable? Why or why not?
- 6) Have you ever obeyed God and been given more responsibility or influence?
- 7) What could you gain from embracing the process of maturing in your life?



> PRAY

Share an area where you'd like to see growth in your life. Pray for the Holy Spirit to continue giving you opportunities to mature.

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