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Renewed Faith: Discipline is the Foundation / Faithful People; Discipline / Hebrews 5:11-14

To renew our faith will require some form of discipline; however, we are unskilled and have trouble discerning good from evil.



Hebrews 5:11-14 ESV

¹¹ About this we have much to say, and it is hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing. ¹² For 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, ¹³ for everyone who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, since he is a child. ¹⁴ But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil.

Needing someone to teach you again

You ought to be teachers

John 16:12 ESV

¹² "I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now.

Unsettled on the basic principles of the oracles of God

2 Peter 3:16 ESV

¹⁶ as he does in all his letters when he speaks in them of these matters. There are some things in them that are hard to understand, which the ignorant and unstable twist to their own destruction, as they do the other Scriptures.

Unskilled in the word of Righteousness

You need milk, not solid food

Isaiah 28:9-10 ESV

⁹ “To whom will he teach knowledge, and to whom will he explain the message?

Those who are weaned from the milk, those taken from the breast?

¹⁰ For it is precept upon precept, precept upon precept, line upon line, line upon line, here a little, there a little.”

Trouble distinguishing Good and Evil

A childlike understanding

1 Corinthians 13:11 ESV

¹¹ When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways.

Not enough practice

Ezra 7:10 ESV

¹⁰ For Ezra had set his heart to study the Law of the LORD, and to do it and to teach his statutes and rules in Israel.

