



### **Part 1 – True Maturity**

Read Philippians 3:12-16; 1 Corinthians 2:4-6, 11-16

- 1) According to these verses what is the mindset of mature (perfect) believers?
- 2) According to 1 Corinthians 2 what characterizes those that are “perfect” (mature)?
- 3) Would you consider yourself a mature believer? Why?

### **Part 2—Following Together**

Read Philippians 3:17; 1 Timothy 4:12

- 1) The word “followers” is literally “co-followers” or “together-followers.” What does Paul encourage the brethren to do together?
- 2) How does Paul’s instruction to Timothy compliment his instructions to the Philippians?
- 3) How does “togetherness” affect how and what you follow?

### **Part 3—The Wrong Examples**

Read Philippians 3:18-19; 2 Thessalonians 3:6-7

- 1) What draws the attention of those who are the “enemies of the cross”?
- 2) How does Paul instruct the Thessalonians to determine whom they should follow?
- 3) Have you ever followed a wrong example? How did that hinder your Christian walk?

### **Part 4—Our Heavenly Goal**

Read Philippians 3:20-21; Colossians 3:1-4; Titus 2:11-14

- 1) According to this passage what do Christians eagerly anticipate?
- 2) According to Colossians 3 how should our heavenly perspective affect our current life?
- 3) How has your blessed hope (Titus 2:13) affected you lately?

