

## What Kind of Church Is IBC to Be? IBC 是什么样的教会?

### Part 3: A Church of Vibrant Growth 第三部分：一个茁壮成长的教会

We will be a church that embraces truth no matter how unpopular it may be in our culture. The Bible will always be our final authority in all matters (II Tim. 3:16). We will be a place where people grow and where those who are hurting, confused and broken find help, healing and celebrate recovery (Luke 5:31-32)

**提摩太后书 3: 16** 圣经都是神所默示的（或作凡神所默示的圣经），于教训，督责，使人归正，教导人学义，都是有益的。

**路加福音 5: 31** 耶稣对他们说，无病的人用不着医生。有病的人才用得着。 **32** 我来本不是召义人悔改。乃是召罪人悔改。

We will be a church that urges people on to be true Bible students - to grow from the "milk" of the Word and be a church that nurtures people from spiritual immaturity to teaching others (Heb. 5:12:14)

**希伯来书 5: 12** 看你们学习的工夫，本该作师傅，谁知还得有人将神圣言小学的开端，另教导你们。并且成了那必须吃奶，不能吃干粮的人。 **13** 凡只能吃奶的，都不熟练仁义的道理。因为他是婴孩。 **14** 惟独长大成人的，才能吃干粮，他们的心窍，习练得通达，就能分辨好歹了。

Hebrews 5:11-6:3 希伯来书 5:11-6:3

### Marks of Spiritual Immaturity: 灵命不成熟的三个标志

1. The first mark of spiritual immaturity is Dullness Toward the Word of God. (v. 11)

灵命不成熟的第一个标志是对神的话语听不进去，不明白。(希伯来书 5:11)

为什么听不进神的话？

- a. **When we neglect the hearing of the Word of God** 对神的话语不当一回事
- b. **Secondly, We become dull of hearing when we take the word of God for granted.** 我们为什么对真理听不进去呢--- 对待神的话语认为理所当然
- c. **Third, We become dull of hearing when we fail to obey the word of God** 我们为什么对真理听不进去呢--- 我们不愿意服从他的话语

2. The Second Mark of Spiritual Immaturity is the **Inability To Share the Word** 灵命不成熟的第二个标志是**没能力与人分享神的话语**( 希伯来书 5 :12)

3. The third mark of spiritual immaturity is **An Insufficient Diet (vv. 12-14)**

灵命不成熟的第三个标准是**营养摄入不足**(希伯来书 5:12-14,6:1, 格林多前书 3: 1-2,)

**Application: Seven Rules for Growth 成长的 7 个规则**

1. Daily Food. Take in the “pure milk of the word” through regular bible study.

每天的食物。通过经常对圣经地学习，获得灵粮。

2. Fresh Air. Pray often or you will faint. Prayer is the oxygen of the soul.

新鲜的空气。经常的祷告以免我们发昏，通过祷告给我们的灵输氧。

3. Regular Exercise. Put into practice what you learn in God’s Word.

定期的锻炼。将我们领会的神的话语付之实践。

4. Adequate Rest. Rely on God at all times in simple faith.

适当的休息。以最基本的信念来信靠神。

5. Clean Surroundings. Avoid whatever will weaken you spiritually.

清洁的环境。避免任何削弱我们灵命成长的因素。

6. Loving Care. Be part of a church where you will benefit from a pastor’s teaching and Christian fellowship.

爱的关怀。要成为教会的一部分，这样你才能从牧师的讲道中以及团契中得益处。

7. Periodic Checkups. Regularly examine your spiritual health. [bible.org]

定期的检查。定期地对我们灵的健康体检。