

## The key is to participate, not observe

Paul, to the church in Philippi:

*The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, **practice** these things, and the God of peace will be with you.*  
Philippians 4:9

Jesus, to the disciples amid 5,000 hungry people:

*He replied, "You give them something to eat."* Luke 9:13

Paul, explaining the role of pastors and churches:

*...and some to be pastors....to prepare God's people for works of service so that the body of Christ....may become mature.*  
Ephesians 4:11-13

Some follow up questions for you:

Are you a member of the City, our online church community?

If not, sign up today by looking for the The City login on our website (top right corner). Here we post weekly devotionals, prayer requests and sudden needs that arise in our church body (hosting a missionary or providing furniture to a refugee, for example)

Do you know your spiritual gift(s)?

If not, go to our website and take the "Spiritual Gift Assessment" and fill it out.

Are you currently serving your God?

If not, then prayerfully review the "volunteer form" in the bulletin, and consider which one you could offer to God as your act of worship.

Are you burned out and tired of your current area of service?

Spend some time discerning why. Is your heart growing hard? Are you under other pressure and maybe just need a break? Should you consider trying a different form of service that is a better fit for you?

## COMMENTS, PRAYERS AND PRAISES

We have a team of people who are praying for our church body regularly. If you have a praise item or prayer request that you would like to share with our prayer warriors or a comment for church leaders, please complete the form below.

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Name

Mobile Number

Email

Please pass along my prayer/praise but without my name

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## Rise Up! ... Serve Your God

### The possibility of immaturity

The book of Hebrews: A message of warnings

1. Warning of neglect (2:1-4)
2. Warning of disobedience (3:7-4:13)
3. **Warning of immaturity (5:11-14)**
4. Warning of rejection (6:4-12)
5. Warning of refusal (12:14-29)

*Concerning him we have much to say, and it is hard to explain, since you have become **dull of hearing**.* Hebrews 5:11

**The warning: Don't be \_\_\_\_\_.**

*For though **by this time** you ought to be teachers, you have need again for someone to teach you the elementary principles of the oracles of God, and you have come to need milk and not solid food.* Hebrews 5:12

\_\_\_\_\_ **is an expectation of all over time.**

*For everyone who partakes only of milk is not accustomed to the word of righteousness, for he is an infant.* Hebrews 5:13

**God's word (truth) is \_\_\_\_\_.**

*But solid food is for the mature, who because of **practice** have their senses trained to discern good and evil.* Hebrews 5:14

## WELCOME TO ISLAND ECC

Thank you for worshipping with us today! If you are new to Island ECC or want to get connected to our community, please complete this short form and drop it in the offering bag, or at a designated box on the 1st or 2nd floor. Also be sure to check us out at [www.islandecc.hk](http://www.islandecc.hk)

Name

Mobile Number

Email

Today I attended the service at:

9.30am  11.30am  5pm

On the:

1st Floor  2nd Floor