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- 1** Therefore leaving the elementary teaching about the Christ, let us press on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God,
- 2** of instruction about washings and laying on of hands, and the resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment.
- 3** And this we will do, if God permits.
- 4** For in the case of those who have once been enlightened and have tasted of the heavenly gift and have been made partakers of the Holy Spirit,
- 5** and have tasted the good word of God and the powers of the age to come,
- 6** and *then* have fallen away, it is impossible to renew them again to repentance, since they again crucify to themselves the Son of God and put Him to open shame.
- 7** For ground that drinks the rain which often falls on it and brings forth vegetation useful to those for whose sake it is also tilled, receives a blessing from God;
- 8** but if it yields thorns and thistles, it is worthless and close to being cursed, and it ends up being burned.

1. *“Therefore leaving the elementary teaching about the Christ, let us press on to maturity”*

“Let us press on to maturity” should be the main personal

_____ of every believer in Christ.
Proverbs 4:18; Matthew 5:48; Philippians 3:12-14.

2. *“Therefore leaving the elementary teaching about the Christ, let us press on to maturity”*

Growing and maturing into the image and character of Jesus only
_____ to those who _____ at it.
Philippians 3:12-14; Deuteronomy 4:9; Joshua 23:11; Proverbs 4:23.

3. *“Therefore leaving the elementary teaching about the Christ, let us press on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works”*

A key requirement to grow is to receive _____ beyond the
_____, simple, foundational doctrines that the
writer calls
_____ and move on to solid food, _____.
Hebrews 5:12-13; Colossians 1:28.

4. *“and then have fallen away, it is impossible to renew them again to repentance”*

There is a _____ from God against those who have
_____ away to a point that they no _____ can
grow.

5. ***“they again crucify to themselves the Son of God and put Him to open shame.”***

We often think of God as being above _____, but

we live our life as children of God has a great _____ on
God as our Father.

6. ***“For ground that drinks the rain which often falls on it and brings forth vegetation useful to those for whose sake it is also tilled, receives a blessing from God”***

“The rain” is probably the various _____ and

that God sovereignly causes to make us _____ for Him.

John 15:1-8.

7. ***“For ground that drinks the rain which often falls on it and brings forth vegetation useful to those for whose sake it is also tilled, receives a blessing from God”***

“Vegetation” would probably be those _____ and

that have been developed in us for the _____ of others. 1 Peter

5:10.

8. ***“For ground that drinks the rain which often falls on it and brings forth***

vegetation useful to those for whose sake it is also tilled, receives a blessing from God"

God "tills" us so that we can _____ for Him. Being tilled probably refers to God taking us through various _____ to develop our character and _____.

9. "For ground that drinks the rain which often falls on it and brings forth vegetation useful to those for whose sake it is also tilled, receives a blessing from God"

"Blessing from God" sounds very _____, and probably can be any number of _____ things that come into our life as a _____.

10. "but if it yields thorns and thistles, it is worthless and close to being cursed, and it ends up being burned"

God sovereignly works in us so that we will _____ much _____ for Him, but we have the choice, and we can produce _____ and _____ instead.

11. "but if it yields thorns and thistles, it is worthless and close to being cursed, and it ends up being burned"

“Worthless”, good for _____, _____; I think we can _____ that in our _____.

12. ***“but if it yields thorns and thistles, it is worthless and close to being cursed, and it ends up being burned”***

“Being burned” is probably a reference to the “ _____ _____”, and our _____ being burned up. **1 Corinthians 3:13-15.**