

**The Babe Grew Up!!  
The grateful heart - part 8  
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whatever grievances you may have against one another. Col 3:12-13 NIV

- 1) The \_\_\_\_\_ of my life can only be \_\_\_\_\_ by seeing from the Lord's \_\_\_\_\_ perspective instead of my \_\_\_\_\_ view.
- How long must I **wrestle with my thoughts** and every day have sorrow in my heart? How long will my enemy triumph over me? Ps 13:2 NIV
  - "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the LORD. "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are **my ways higher than your ways** and my thoughts than your thoughts. Isa 55:8-9 NIV
  - Remember the former things, those of long ago; I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me. **I make known the end from the beginning**, from ancient times, what is still to come. I say: My purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please. Isa 46:9-10 NIV
  - "Great and marvelous are your deeds, Lord God Almighty. Just and true are your ways, King of the ages. Who will not fear you, O Lord, and bring glory to your name? **For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship before you, for your righteous acts have been revealed.**" Rev 15:3-4 NIV
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_ babies don't \_\_\_\_\_ my heart, the \_\_\_\_\_ of The Christ does.
- Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground. **He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him**, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering. Isa 53:1-3 NIV
  - Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, **the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort**, who **comforts us in all our troubles**, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God. For just as the sufferings of Christ flow over into our lives, so also through Christ our comfort overflows. 2 Cor 1:3-5 NIV
  - If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, **if any tenderness and compassion**, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose. Phil 2:1-2 NIV
  - Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, **clothe yourselves with compassion**, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive

- 3) My Lord has a \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ me to receive my \_\_\_\_\_.
- Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that **the testing of your faith develops perseverance**. Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything. James 1:2-5 NIV
  - For **this slight momentary affliction is preparing** for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, because we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen; for the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal. 2 Cor 4:17-18 RSV
  - Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. **Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer**. Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. Rom 12:9-13 NIV
- 4) \_\_\_\_\_ children \_\_\_\_\_ grow!  
What is \_\_\_\_\_ me?
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  - In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word all over again. You need milk, not solid food! Anyone who lives on milk, being **still an infant**, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. But solid food is for **the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil**. Heb 5:11-14 NIV
  - Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. **Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete**, not lacking anything. If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him. James 1:2-5 NIV
  - Then we will **no longer be infants**, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming. Instead, speaking the truth in love, **we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ**. Eph 4:14-16 NIV