

THIS IS US



- A church where Jesus is at the centre
- A church that loves and obeys the Word of God
- A church that honours and seeks the presence of God
- A church where people live naturally-supernatural lives
- **A church where people are growing to maturity as disciples of Christ**
- A church that pursues holiness

- A church where everyone finds their place in ministry
- A church that is courageous, willing to take God-inspired steps of faith
- A church of missionaries, sharing the Good News of Jesus with our town...and beyond
- A church with a culture of radical generosity
- A church that is family
- A church that has a deep commitment to unity

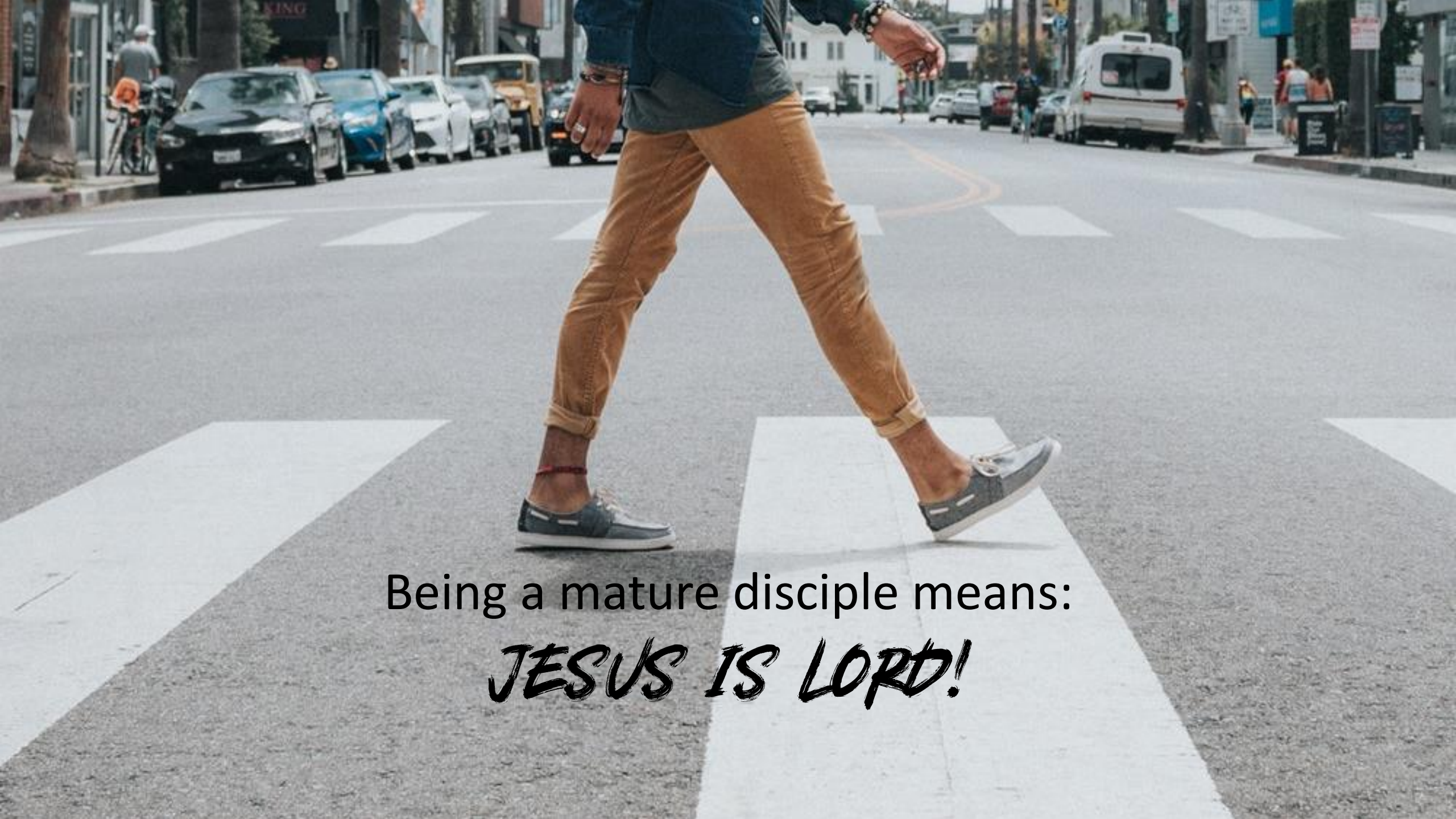
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A CHURCH WHERE PEOPLE ARE GROWING
TO MATURITY AS DISCIPLES OF CHRIST



¹⁵ Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will **grow** to become in every respect the **mature** body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. ¹⁶ From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, **grows** and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

Ephesians 4:11-16



Being a mature disciple means:

JESUS IS LORD!

"Why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say?"

Luke 6:46



Being a mature disciple means:

GROWING IN KNOWLEDGE OF THE SON

²⁸ He is the one we proclaim, admonishing and teaching everyone with all wisdom, so that we may present everyone **fully mature in Christ**. ²⁹ To this end I strenuously contend with all the energy Christ so powerfully works in me.

Colossians 1:28-29

¹¹ So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ¹² to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³ **until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature**, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

¹⁴ 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 people in their deceitful scheming.

Ephesians 4:11-16

² Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may **grow up** in your salvation, ³ now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.

2 Peter 2:2-3

¹³ Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. ¹⁴ But solid food is for the **mature**, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.

Hebrews 5:13-14



Being a mature disciple means:

DEVELOPING GODLY DISCIPLINES

⁵ For this very reason, **make every effort** to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; ⁶ and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; ⁷ and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love.

2 Peter 1:5-7



Being a mature disciple means:

NOT GIVING UP MEETING TOGETHER

²⁵ Do not give up meeting together, **as some are in the habit of doing**, but encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Hebrews 10:25



Being a mature disciple means:

SERVING ONE-ANOTHER IN LOVE

¹⁶ From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, **as each part does its work.**

Ephesians 4:16