

## Time to Grow Up!

1 Corinthians 14:20-28 (ESV)

## THE CALL TO MATURE THINKING

<u>**1** Corinthians 14:20</u> Brothers, do not be children in your thinking. Be infants in evil, but in your thinking be mature.

Immature Thinking	Mature Thinking
Look at me!	Look at Him!
Others should serve me	I must serve others
I can do whatever I want	l will do what builds you up
I must have my way	I don't have to get my way
I'll do what I want regardless of	I'll gladly limit myself for the sake
how it affects others	of others
I look down on others who don't	I can agree to disagree without
agree with me	being disagreeable
I am my own authority	I live under others' authority

## 1. Grown-Up Thinking about Tongues in Church 14:20-25

<u>1 Corinthians 14:21</u> In the Law it is written, "By people of strange tongues and by the lips of foreigners will I speak to this people, and even then they will not listen to me, says the Lord." <sup>22</sup>Thus tongues are a sign not for believers but for unbelievers, while prophecy is a sign not for unbelievers but for believers. <sup>23</sup>If, therefore, the whole church comes together and all speak in tongues, and outsiders or unbelievers enter, will they not say that you are out of your minds? <sup>24</sup>But if all prophesy, and an unbeliever or outsider enters, he is convicted by all, he is called to account by all, <sup>25</sup>the secrets of his heart are disclosed, and so, falling on his face, he will worship God and declare that God is really among you.

2.	Grown-Up Thinking About 'Seeker-Sensitive' Services
	14:24-25

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## 3. Grown-Up Thinking about Orderly Worship 14:26-28

<u>1 Corinthians 14:26</u> What then, brothers? When you come together, each one has a hymn, a lesson, a revelation, a tongue, or an interpretation. Let all things be done for building up. <sup>27</sup>If any speak in a tongue, let there be only two or at most three, and each in turn, and let someone interpret. <sup>28</sup>But if there is no one to interpret, let each of them keep silent in church and speak to himself and to God.

BIBLE READING				
🛛 Sun.: Psa. 53	🛛 Mon.: Psa. 54	Tues.: Psa. 55		
Wed.: Psa. 56 Thurs.: Psa. 57				
□Fri.: Psa. 58	❑Sat.: Psa. 59	□Sun.: Psa. 60		