

EMERGING VICTORIOUS

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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 4:14–15 (NIV)



EVERY NATION
SINGAPORE

HOOK

 Start the conversation by asking...

Has someone ever had a wrong first impression about you?

ENGAGE

 Go deeper with this...

Rumours spread quickly when people don't take time to confirm the truth of what they hear. It takes maturity and self-discipline to stay quiet and confirm the facts.

LINK

 Connect to God's truth by sharing...

- Christian maturity is being able to stand firm in faith despite various influences and opinions.
- In Christ, we can rely on the timeless truths of the Bible without following fads or only choosing messages we want to hear.
- We will gain a clearer understanding of God's will as we read our Bible and listen to the Holy Spirit.
- And as our relationship with Jesus gets deeper, we will become more discerning.
- Even as we go through trials and hardships, holding onto God's truths will mature us.
- As trials can even reveal God's love to us more tangibly than before.

PAUSE

 Pick a question and pray together...

Discuss Together (*pick one*)

- What are some things that cause you to question God? your faith? (contagious anxiety of others, social media scandals, gossip) How can you respond?
- Have you experienced a hardship that revealed God's love to you? What happened?

Pray Together (*pick one*)

- Pray for continuing maturity in Christ, that you will not be swayed, that you will discern right from wrong, and that you will see God's love in hardship.
- Pray that you and those around you will develop the habit of speaking the truth in love to one another.

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Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

— James 1:4 (NIV)