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As we mature, however, we start seeing things in a new way. We overcome challenges, we gain new insight, and we grow.

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Today is Commitment Sunday, the final day of our churchwide study and our stewardship campaign. As a member of our church family, you've had a chance to read the book, to discuss the concepts, and to hear the pastor's related messages. So what will your response be?

It's hoped you've prayerfully considered how to fill out your commitment card and service commitment form, and you're ready to turn them in. And if you never received them or you forgot to bring them today, don't worry; we have extras available for you to pick up today.

As you prepare to turn these commitments in, however, think back over the previous weeks. Consider your thirst. Think about your previous levels of commitment, and the new places you're stepping into today. And let the celebrations begin. It's a new day, after all, a new adventure, and a new life that's been transformed.



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