

The Westside Church

A Mature Spirit-Led Faith



Spiritual maturity is a Spirit-Led life that increasingly looks like Jesus.

BEING LED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT

S STOP

P PRAY

L LISTEN

O OBEY

DOWN

Ephesians 4:13 (NIV)

... 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. 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.

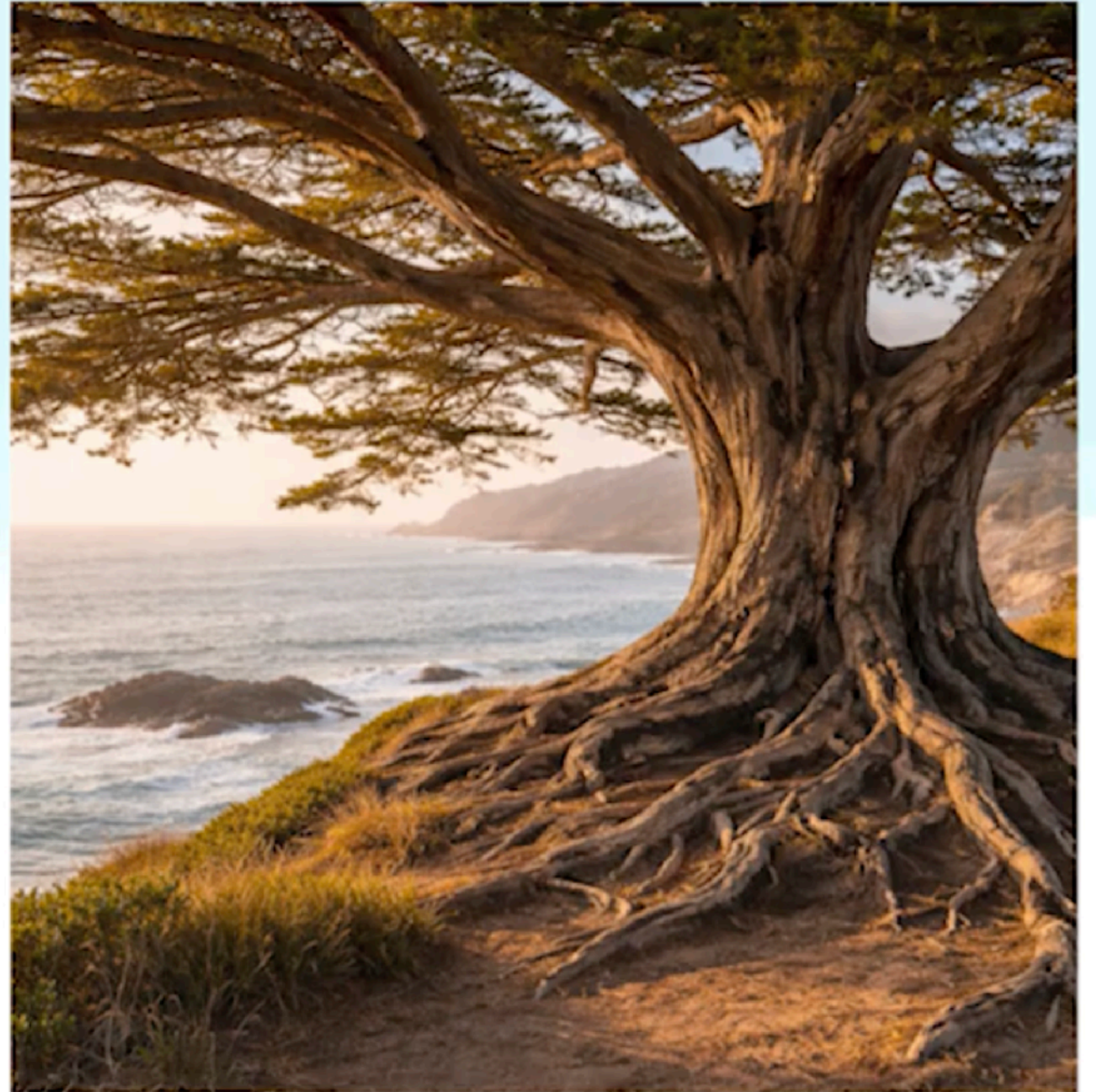
Maturity produces stability and discernment

- Paul says immature believers are “tossed back and forth by the waves” (Ephesians 4:14).
- Hebrews says mature people have their “powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil” (Hebrews 5:14).



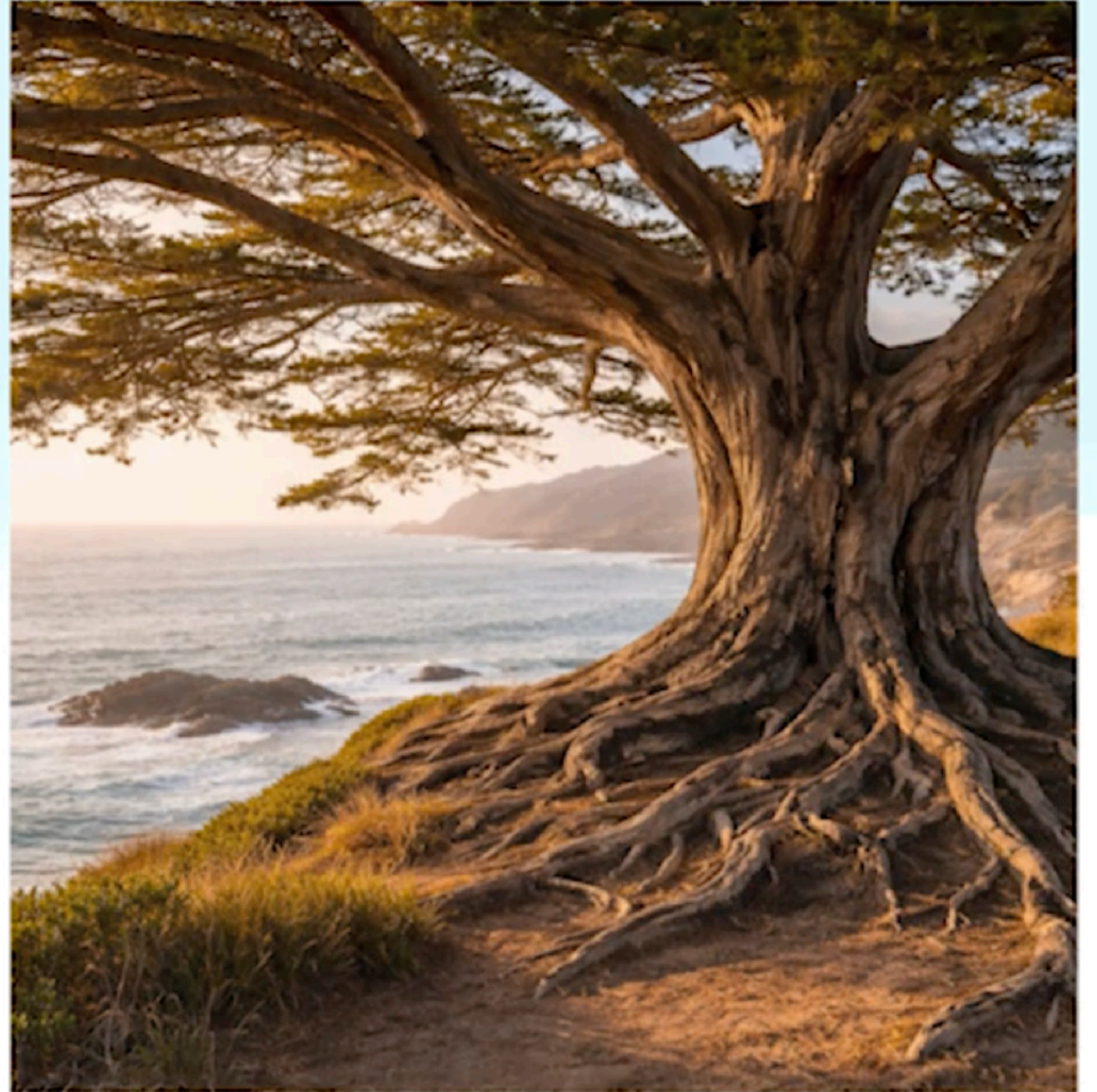
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- you don't get hooked by every controversy



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- you don't get hooked by every controversy
- you don't get manipulated by every fear.

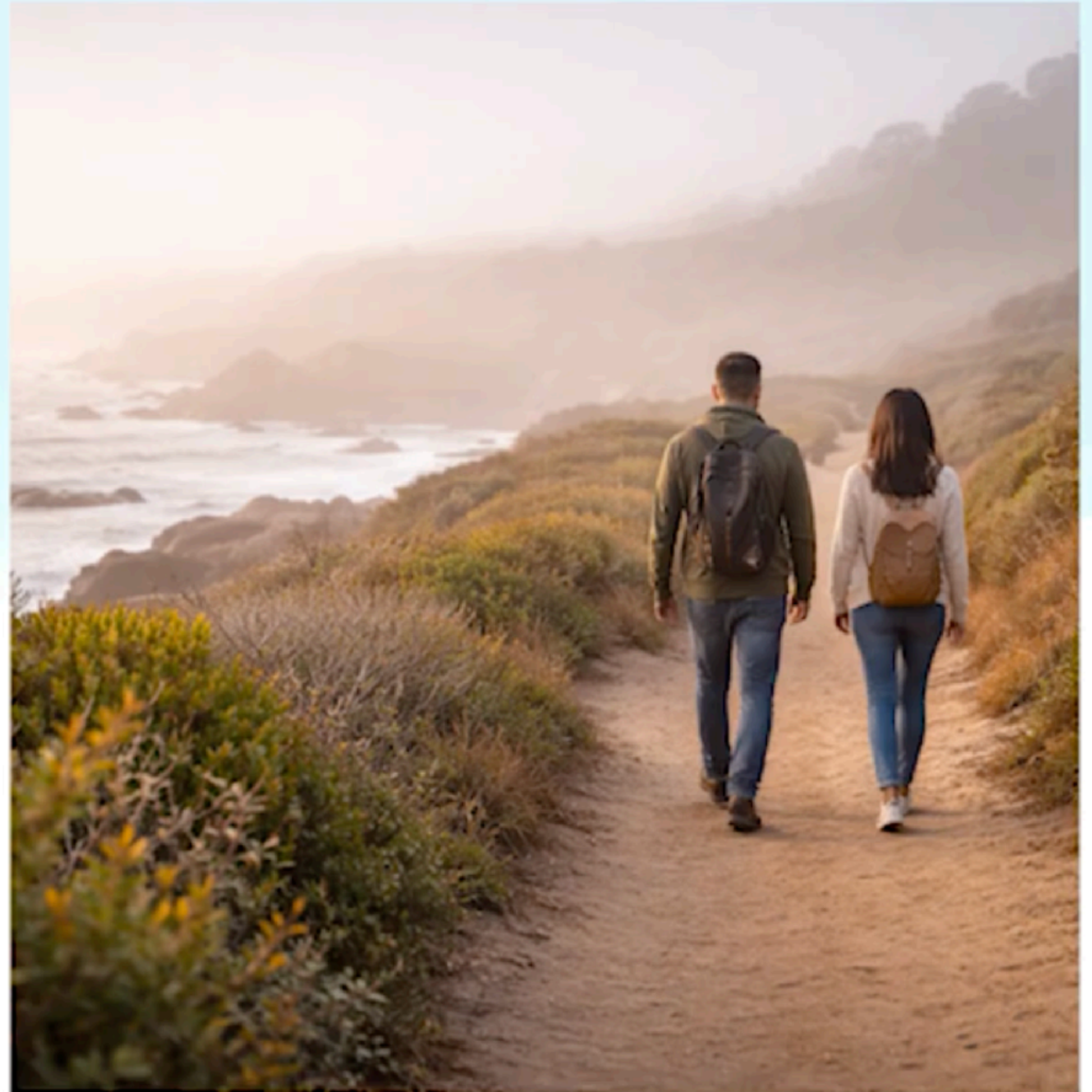


**Maturity shows up as love that
builds others up**

Galatians 5 says: “Walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh” (Galatians 5:16).

Then it lists “works of the flesh” and “fruit of the Spirit” (Galatians 5:19–23).

**Notice something:
The Bible doesn’t say, “Try harder and produce fruit.”
Fruit isn’t manufactured—it’s grown**



Romans 6:5-6, 8 (NIV)

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his. For we know that our old self was crucified with him...

8. Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.



COMMUNION

