

How to Be Flexible  
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Scripture References:

- John 1:14
- Philippians 2:5-8
- 1 Timothy 3:16
- Philippians 4:11-13
- 1 Corinthians 4:9-13, *NIV*
- Hebrews 6:3
- James 4:13-15
- Acts 18:21, *NIV*
- Isaiah 64:8
- Jeremiah 18:4
- Romans 9:20, 21
- Philippians 2:13
- Matthew 3:2
- Matthew 4:17

Summary:

*Emotional maturity is a key component to a successful Christian life. Being emotionally mature requires flexibility, which allows us to adapt to situations as they arise. Jesus Christ is our perfect example; when God's original plan for mankind was spoiled by sin, He adapted to the situation by sending His Son in human form to restore things to the way they were intended to be. Paul was another example; he demonstrated maturity and adaptability in the midst of adversity and painful circumstances. A willingness to humble ourselves in this manner allows God to use us to do great things.*

Notes:

1. We see examples of flexibility in Jesus; despite being God, He was willing to be flexible.
2. There was plenty of adapting on God's part. His "plan A" was that mankind be immortal and never die. When sin spoiled that plan, His "plan B" was to send Jesus to restore things to the way they were in the beginning.
3. We can learn to adapt when the plans we make don't go as expected.
4. Flexibility means being willing to be fashioned or re-fashioned for God's glory. Every call of God on a person's life is accompanied by the necessary wiring and equipping for them to carry it out.

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