## Path to maturity

Overprotected children never develop. Only those who do things by themselves, go out and handle tasks, and take risks, develop.

The simple reason is, in taking responsibility amidst diverse duties and demands, they have to exercise their mind, make considered choices and decisions, and attain goals.

This is the same principle by which even our insight, understanding, knowledge of God's will, discernment and maturity develop.

As we insist to take decisions for the sake of God, for the honor of God and on the side of God in diverse situations, our inner man is exercised. As we deny ourselves for the sake of divine objectives, in conflicting situations, our spirituality is put to meaningful action. And as we make responsible choices based on our deepest values and convictions in pressing situations, we make forward steps.

In this whole process, our spiritual insight, understanding, discernment and knowledge of God's will too develop.