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Sommario/riassunto	This work explores Paul's conception of maturity, paying special attention to the maturation process and the role of the local church in facilitating this process. Although central to Paul's theology, maturity is often overlooked in Pauline studies. Samra argues that Paul understood his apostolic commission to involve delivering mature believers on the day of Christ. Samra concludes by arguing that Paul expected the local church to facilitate maturation so that believers' participation in a local

assembly would result in their being conformed to Christ. The church does this by facilitating the