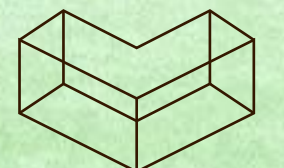


KNOWING  
THE

*Father*

1 John 2:12–13

I write to you, **little children**, because your sins are forgiven you for His name's sake. <sup>13</sup> I write to you, **fathers**, because you have known Him who is from the beginning. I write to you, **young men**, because you have overcome the wicked one ...

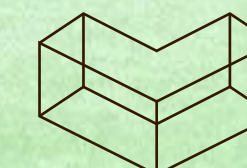


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John 3:16

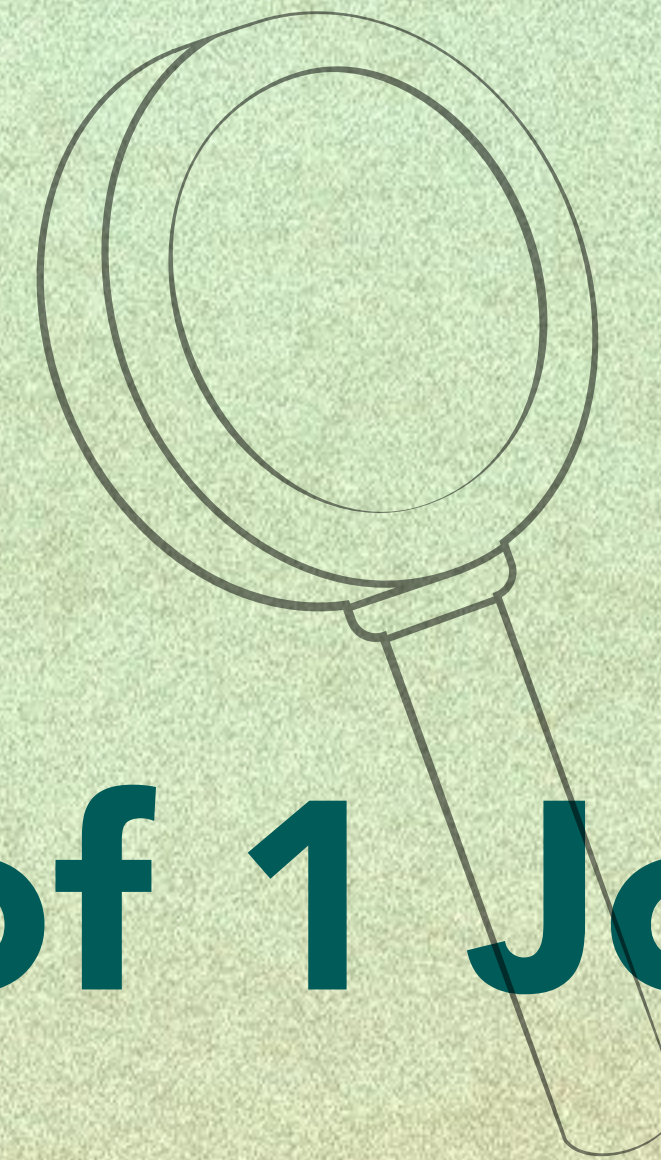
For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.



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Seeing John 3:16

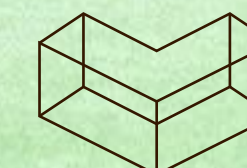
# Through the Lens of 1 John 2



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*Little Children* – **whoever believes in Him**  
(John 3:16)

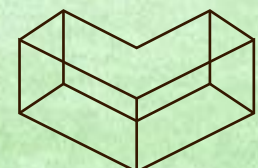


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*Young Men* – **The Son who was given**  
(John 3:16)

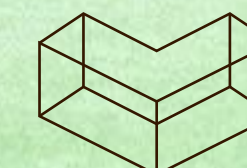


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*Fathers* – *The Father who gave*  
(John 3:16)

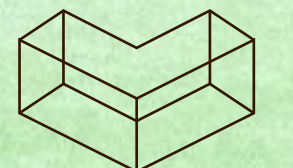


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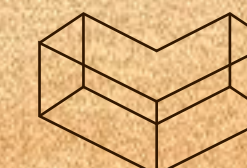
# Progression of Spiritual Maturity

*(1 John 2)*

- Children know forgiveness.
- Young men know victory.
- Fathers know God.

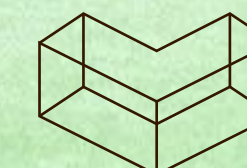


# *4 Revelations* **of the Father's Heart**



# The Father Loves

“For God so loved...”



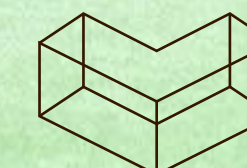
The Cross was not God's response to our love,  
***it was God's expression of His love.***



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# The Father Provides

“...that He gave...”



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***Love gives, Lust takes.***

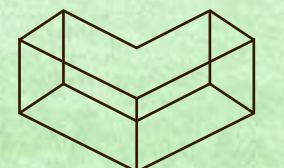


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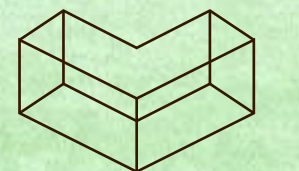
Genesis 22:7-8

Then he said, "Look, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?"

<sup>8</sup> And Abraham said, "My son, **God will provide** for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering."



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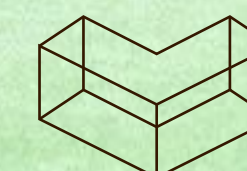


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# The Father Raises Sons and Daughters

“His only begotten Son...”

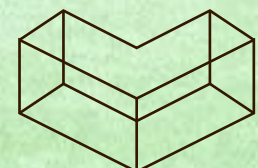


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Hebrews 2:10 (NIV)

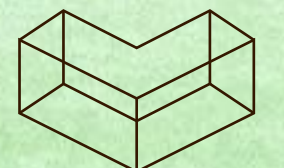
In bringing many sons and daughters to glory...



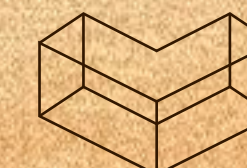
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1 Corinthians 13:11

When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

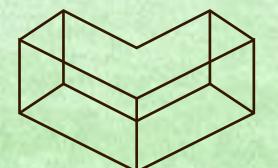


*Growing old is mandatory,*  
***Growing up is optional.***



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Big Dog and Little Dog



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***You teach what you know,  
but you reproduce who you are.***



T. D. Jakes

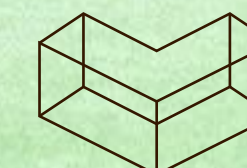


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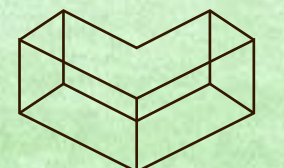
# The Father Sees Generations



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1 John 2:12–14

“I write to you, **little children** ... <sup>13</sup> I write to you, **fathers** ... I write to you, **young men** ... I write to you, **little children** ... <sup>14</sup> I have written to you, **fathers** ... I have written to you, **young men** ...”



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***What one generation neglects,  
the next generation rejects.***

– Chris Hodges

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