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Main Bible text: [1 John 2:12-14](#)

3 groups regarding spiritual stages:

1. Little children: newborn babes in Christ
2. Young men: stronger ones and victorious in the Christian warfare
3. Fathers: those who have depth and grow for years

Read [2 Thessalonians 1:3](#), [1 Peter 2:2](#), [2 Peter 3:18](#)

I. CONVERTS AND THEIR FELLOWSHIP

A. Rejoice in your relationship

“ABBA” – intimate child/Father relationship (see [Romans 8:15-16](#))

B. Be ready in your fellowship

- Be ready to grow
- Be ready to be on guard

Read [Ephesians 4:14](#), [1 John 2:18-19](#)

II. CONQUERORS AND THEIR FIGHTING

A. Energy of the fight

Read [2 Timothy 2:22](#), [1 Peter 2:11](#)

B. Equipment in the fight

Read [1 John 2:14](#)

3 Truths about the Word of God

1. It is the source of strength ([Hebrews 5:13-14](#))
2. It is the secret of purity ([Psalm 119:9](#), [Psalm 119:11](#))
3. It is the sword of the Spirit ([Ephesians 6:17](#))

C. Enemy in the fight

[1 John 2:14](#) “...ye have overcome the wicked one.”

III. CHAMPIONS AND THEIR FAITHFULNESS

A. The privilege: experience

Read [1 John 2:13](#)

*“Maturity is moving from soft skin and a tough heart
to tough skin and a soft heart.”*

B. The purpose: to be faithful

C. The proneness: be self-satisfied

David Jeremiah has 4 suggestions:

- Pursue Him
- Be patient
- Persistence
- Priority

Read [1 Timothy 4:16](#)

