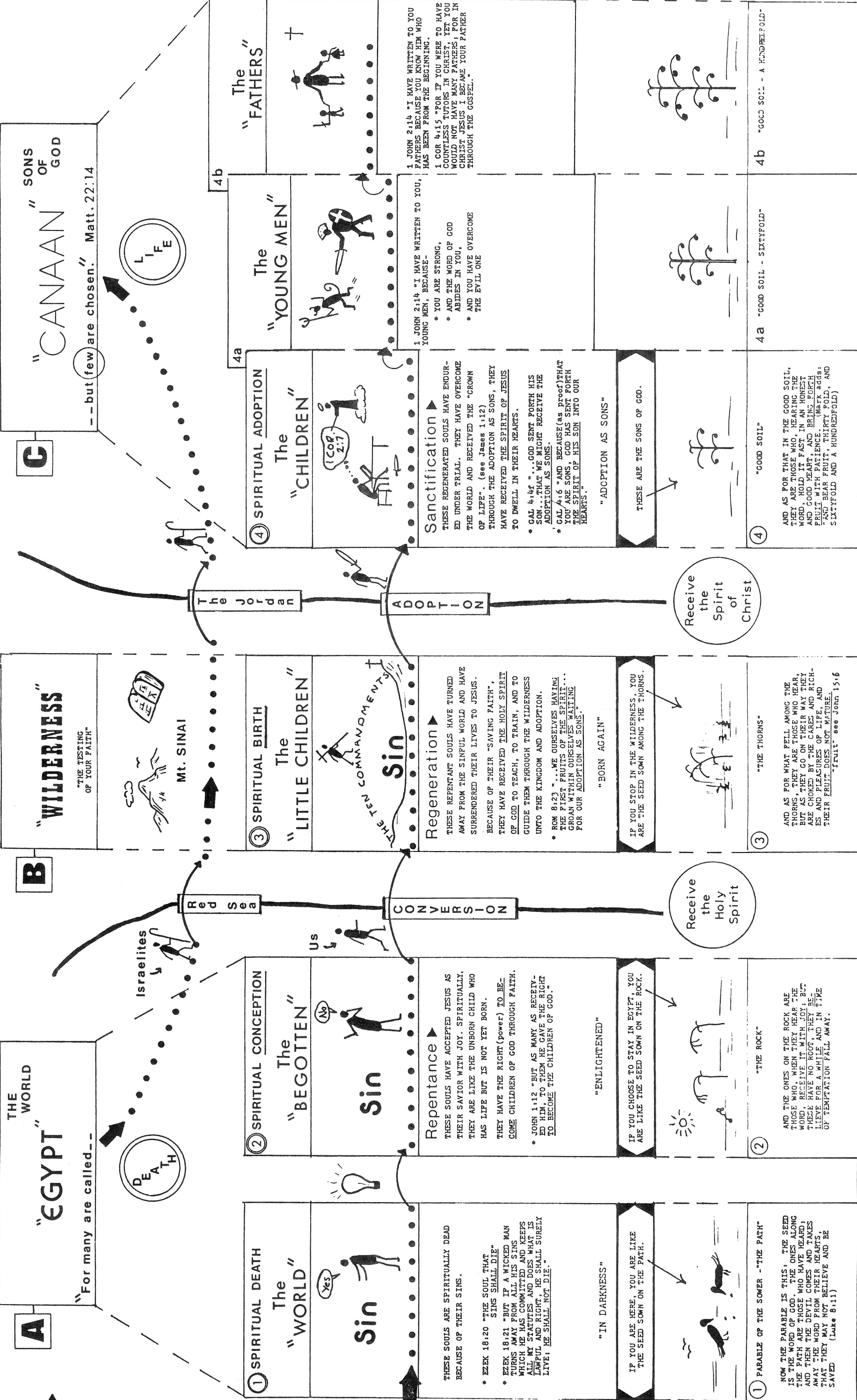


# From EGYPT to CANAAN

--- and those who find it are few. Matt. 7:14

"The way is hard that leads to life---"

EXODUS



"EGYPT" For many are called--

"WILDERNESS" THE TESTING OF YOUR FAITH

"CANAAN" SONS OF GOD --but few are chosen. Matt. 22:14

DEATH

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LIFE

1 SPIRITUAL DEATH "The WORLD" Sin

2 SPIRITUAL CONCEPTION "The BEGOTTEN" Sin

3 SPIRITUAL BIRTH "The LITTLE CHILDREN" Sin

4 SPIRITUAL ADOPTION "The CHILDREN" Sin

4a "The YOUNG MEN" Sin

4b "The FATHERS" Sin

THESE SOULS ARE SPIRITUALLY DEAD BECAUSE OF THEIR SINS. EZEK 18:20 "THE SOUL THAT SINS SHALL DIE" EZEK 18:21 "BUT IF A WICKED MAN TURNS AWAY FROM ALL HIS SINS WHICH HE HAS COMMITTED AND KEEPS ALL MY STATUTES AND DOES WHAT IS LAWFUL AND RIGHT, HE SHALL SURELY LIVE; HE SHALL NOT DIE."

REPENTANCE THESE SOULS HAVE ACCEPTED JESUS AS THEIR SAVIOR WITH JOY. SPIRITUALLY, THEY ARE LIKE THE UNBORN CHILD WHO HAS LIFE BUT IS NOT YET BORN. THEY HAVE THE RIGHT (POWER) TO BECOME CHILDREN OF GOD THROUGH FAITH. JOHN 1:12 "BUT AS MANY AS RECEIVED HIM, TO THEM HE GAVE THE RIGHT TO BECOME THE CHILDREN OF GOD."

REGENERATION THESE REPENTANT SOULS HAVE TURNED AWAY FROM THE SINFUL WORLD AND HAVE SURRENDERED THEIR LIVES TO JESUS. BECAUSE OF THEIR "SAVING FAITH", THEY HAVE RECEIVED THE HOLY SPIRIT OF GOD TO TEACH, TO TRAIN, AND TO GUIDE THEM THROUGH THE WILDERNESS UNTO THE KINGDOM AND ADOPTION. ROM 8:23 "...WE OURSELVES HAVING THE FIRST FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT...GROAN WITHIN OURSELVES WAITING FOR OUR ADOPTION AS SONS."

SANCTIFICATION THESE REGENERATED SOULS HAVE ENDURED UNDER TRIAL. THEY HAVE OVERCOME THE WORLD AND RECEIVED THE "CROWN OF LIFE". (see James 1:12) THROUGH THE ADOPTION AS SONS, THEY HAVE RECEIVED THE SPIRIT OF JESUS TO DWELL IN THEIR HEARTS. GAL 4:4-6 "...GOD SENT FORTH HIS SON... THAT WE MIGHT RECEIVE THE ADOPTION AS SONS." GAL 4:6 "AND BECAUSE (AS PROOF) THAT YOU ARE SONS, GOD HAS SENT FORTH THE SPIRIT OF HIS SON INTO OUR HEARTS."

1 JOHN 2:14 "I HAVE WRITTEN TO YOU, YOUNG MEN, BECAUSE-- \* YOU ARE STRONG, \* AND THE WORD OF GOD ABIDES IN YOU, \* AND YOU HAVE OVERCOME THE EVIL ONE

1 JOHN 2:14 "I HAVE WRITTEN TO YOU FATHERS BECAUSE YOU KNOW HIM WHO HAS BEEN FROM THE BEGINNING. 1 COR 4:15 "FOR IF YOU WERE TO HAVE COUNTLESS TUTORS IN CHRIST, YET YOU WOULD NOT HAVE MANY FATHERS, FOR IN CHRIST JESUS I BECAME YOUR FATHER THROUGH THE GOSPEL."

"IN DARKNESS" IF YOU ARE HERE, YOU ARE LIKE THE SEED SOWN ON THE PATH.

"ENLIGHTENED" IF YOU CHOOSE TO STAY IN EGYPT, YOU ARE LIKE THE SEED SOWN ON THE ROCK.

"BORN AGAIN" IF YOU STOP IN THE WILDERNESS, YOU ARE THE SEED SOWN AMONG THE THORNS.

"ADOPTION AS SONS" THESE ARE THE SONS OF GOD.

4 "GOOD SOIL" AND AS FOR THAT IN THE GOOD SOIL, THEY ARE THOSE WHO, HEARING THE WORD, HOLD IT FAST IN AN HONEST AND GOOD HEART, AND BRING FORTH FRUIT WITH PATIENCE. (Mark adds: AND BEAR FRUIT, THIRTY FOLD, AND SIXTYFOLD AND A HUNDREDFOLD)

4b "GOOD SOIL" - A HUNDREDFOLD

1 PARABLE OF THE SOWER - "THE PATH" NOW THE PARABLE IS THIS: THE SEED IS THE WORD OF GOD. THE ONES ALONG THE PATH ARE THOSE WHO HAVE HEARD! AND THE DEVIL COMES AND TAKES AWAY THE WORD FROM THEIR HEARTS, THAT THEY MAY NOT BELIEVE AND BE SAVED (Luke 8:11)

2 "THE ROCK" AND THE ONES ON THE ROCK ARE THOSE WHO, WHEN THEY HEAR THE WORD, RECEIVE IT WITH JOY; BUT THESE HAVE NO ROOT, THEY BELIEVE FOR A WHILE AND IN TIME OF TEMPTATION FALL AWAY.

3 "THE THORNS" AND AS FOR THAT WHICH FELL AMONG THE THORNS, THEY ARE THOSE WHO HEAR, BUT AS THEY GO ON THEIR WAY THEY ARE CHOKED BY THE CARES AND RICHES AND PLEASURES OF LIFE, AND THEIR FRUIT DOES NOT MATURE. -fruit- see John 15:6

4 "GOOD SOIL" - SIXTYFOLD

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4b "GOOD SOIL" - A HUNDREDFOLD

RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT

RECEIVE THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST

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THE SOWER

EXODUS

# A EGYPT

**1** **WORLD**  
GREEK - KOSMOS

ALL MANKIND IS DOOMED BY SIN

Rom 5:12 NAS "...and so death spread to all men, because all sinned"

**Sin**

THE GOSPEL

John 3:16 KJV "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever BELIEVETH in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

BELIEVERS HAVE ETERNAL LIFE

BUT...

John 3:36 NAS "He who BELIEVES in the Son has eternal life; (but) he who does not OBEY the Son shall not see life,

"ONLY THOSE WHO OBEY BELIEVE"  
Dietrich Bonhoeffer

THE PROCESS OF SALVATION BEGINS

THE FATHER DRAWS MEN TO JESUS

John 6:27 NAS "All that the Father GIVES to me shall come to me."

John 6:44 NAS "No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me DRAMS him."

John 6:45 NAS "It is written in the prophets, 'AND THEY SHALL ALL BE TAUGHT OF GOD'. Every one who has heard and learned from the Father, comes to me."

THE FATHER REVEALS THE CHRIST

Matt 16:15 NAS "He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?'"

And Simon Peter answered and said, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God."

And Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. ...and upon this rock I will build my church!"

"THIS ROCK", MEANS BELIEVING THAT JESUS IS THE CHRIST. ONLY THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN BEGOTTEN BY GOD ARE ABLE TO RECOGNISE JESUS AS THE SAVIOUR.

# B WILDERNESS

**2** **BEGOTTEN**  
GREEK - GENMAO

SPIRITUAL CONCEPTION

John 5:11 RSV "Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is BEGOTTEN of God."

BEGOTTEN BUT NOT YET "BORN"

JUST AS IN THE NATURAL WORLD WHERE A CHILD IS BEGOTTEN BEFORE IT IS BORN, SO IT IS WITH THE SPIRITUAL RE-BIRTH. THOSE WHO BELIEVE THAT JESUS IS THE CHRIST ARE BEGOTTEN OF THE FATHER. THEY ARE NOT YET BORN BUT HAVE THE RIGHT TO BECOME THE CHILDREN OF GOD.

John 1:12 "But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to BECOME the children of God."

THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN BEGOTTEN OF GOD ARE SPIRITUALLY JUST LIKE THE CHILD IN THE WOMB. ALTHOUGH NOT YET BORN, IT HAS LIFE, AND IF IT CONTINUES TO GROW, IT WILL BECOME A NEW-BORN CHILD. AT BIRTH, THE NATURAL CHILD MUST LEAVE ONE WORLD AND ENTER ANOTHER. EVEN SO, THE SPIRITUAL CHILD MUST LEAVE THE WORLD OF SIN AND ENTER THE WORLD OF RIGHTEOUSNESS.

CALLLED TO REPENT FROM SIN

Luke 13:3 NAS (Jesus) "...unless you repent you will all likewise perish."

Acts 2:38 NAS (Peter) "Repent and be baptised...and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

"...the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who OBEY Him." (Acts 5:32 NAS)

Acts 17:30 NAS (Paul) "God is now declaring to men that all everywhere should repent."

REPENTANCE DEFINED

Ezek 18:30 RSV "Repent and turn from all your transgressions which you have committed against me, and get yourself a new heart and a new spirit; why will you die, O house of Israel? ... SO TURN AND LIVE."

WHEN THE BEGOTTEN OF GOD CHOOSES TO REPENT OF SIN AND FULLY SURRENDER HIS LIFE TO JESUS, HE WILL KNOW THE NEW BIRTH:

# C CANAAN

**3** **little CHILDREN**  
GREEK - TEKNON

SPIRITUAL BIRTH

John 3:15 KJV "Except a man be BORN of the water and of the Spirit, he cannot (is not able) to enter the kingdom of God."

BORN BUT NOT YET "SONS"

THE LITTLE CHILDREN HAVE THE FIRST FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT BUT ARE WAITING FOR THE ADOPTION AS SONS.

Rom 8:16 NAS "The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are CHILDREN OF GOD."

Rom 8:23 NAS "...we ourselves having the first fruits of the Spirit...groan within ourselves waiting for OUR ADOPTION AS SONS"

THE "LITTLE CHILDREN RECEIVE THE ADOPTION AS SONS AFTER THE TESTING OF THEIR FAITH IS COMPLETE. (see setting in the wilderness under "notes")

**Sin**

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

VERSES WRITTEN TO "TEKNON" (little children)

1John 2:1 RSV "My little children, I am writing this to you so that you may not sin"

1John 2:12 RSV "I am writing to you little children because your sins are forgiven for His sake."

1John 2:28 RSV "And now, little children, ABIDE in Him,"

"All who keep His commandments ABIDE in Him." (1Jo 3:28)

1John 2:29 NAS "...you know that every one also who practices righteousness is born of Him."

1John 3:7 NAS "Little children, let us not deceive you, the one who practices righteousness is righteous."

1John 3:18 NAS "Little children, let us not LOVE with word or with tongue, but in deed and truth."

This is the LOVE of God that we keep His commandments (1Jo 5:3)

1John 4:4 RSV "Little children, you are of God and have overcome them; (the false prophets-see 4:1)

1John 5:21 NAS "Little children, guard yourself from idols."

THOSE WHO ENDOURE CLEANSING FROM SIN RECEIVE THE ADOPTION AS SONS. "AND IF A SON THEN AN HEIR:

CONVERSION

REPENTANCE DEFINED

Ezek 18:30 RSV "Repent and turn from all your transgressions which you have committed against me, and get yourself a new heart and a new spirit; why will you die, O house of Israel? ... SO TURN AND LIVE."

WHEN THE BEGOTTEN OF GOD CHOOSES TO REPENT OF SIN AND FULLY SURRENDER HIS LIFE TO JESUS, HE WILL KNOW THE NEW BIRTH:

**4** **CHILDREN**  
GREEK - PADION

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

Gal 4:6 RSV "To prove that you are sons, God has sent into our hearts THE SPIRIT OF HIS SON, crying 'Abba! Father! You are therefore no longer a slave but a SON."

"...every one who commits sin is a slave to sin. the slave does not continue in the house for ever; the son continues for ever." (John 8:34 RSV)

Gal 4:6 KJV cont'd "and if a SON then an HEIR of God through Christ."

ADOPTED SONS

THESE BLESSED SOULS, WHOSE FAITH HAS BEEN TESTED AND FOUND WORTHY, HAVE ENTERED THE PROMISED LAND. "THE REDEMPTION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT - HAS MADE THEM FREE FROM SLAVERY TO SIN. THEY KNOW THE FATHER AND KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS. THEY HAVE RECEIVED THE SPIRIT OF HIS SON. THEY ARE SONS!

**Sin**

VERSES WRITTEN TO "PADION" (children)

1John 2:18 NAS "I have written to you children, because you KNOW THE FATHER."

"We know that we HAVE COME TO KNOW HIM if we keep His commandments." (1John 2:3 NAS)

1John 2:18 NAS "Children, it is the last hour..."

2:20 NAS "But YOU have an anointing from the Holy One, (Ex 40:15)

2:21 RSV "...you do know it (the truth) and no that no lie is of the truth."

"Thy LAW is the truth" (Psalm 119:142)

2:24 NAS "As for YOU, let that abide in you which you heard from the beginning."

"That we love one another"

2:24 Contd. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, you will abide in the Son and in the Father.

RENEWAL AFTER GOD'S IMAGE

Eph 5:25 RSV "Christ loved the Church cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, that He might present to himself to himself in splendor, WITHOUT SPOT OR WRINKLE or anything, that she might be HOLY and without blemish."

ADOPTION

ADOPTION AS SONS-From the Greek Huiothesia, from huioi, "a Son" and thesio, "a placing", signifies the place and condition of a son, given to one whom it does not naturally belong.

1Peter 1:5 RSV "Beloved, do not be surprised at the PLEASANT ORdeal which comes upon you to prove YOU."

James 1:12 NAS "Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you meet the TESTING OF YOUR FAITH, because endurance that you may be PERFECT and COMPLETE."

James 1:12 RSV "Blessed is the man that endureth temptation for WHEN HE HATH BEEN APPROVED, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord has promised to those who LOVE Him."

"For this is the LOVE OF GOD, that we keep His commandments." (1John 5:3 RSV)

1Thess 1:5 NAS "...so that you may be CONSIDERED WORTHY of the kingdom of God, for which indeed you are suffering."

"for whoever has suffered in the flesh, has ceased FROM SIN." (1Peter 4:1 RSV)

Luke 20:15 NAS "...but those who are CONSIDERED WORTHY to attain to that age...are SONS OF GOD."

Rev 21:7 NAS "He who overcomes shall inherit these things and I will be his God and he shall be MY SON."

**a** **YOUNG MEN**  
GREEK - NEANISKOS

VERSES WRITTEN TO "NEANISKOS" (young men)

1John 2:13 NAS "I am writing to you YOUNG MEN, because -

- \* you are strong
- \* and the word of God abides in you
- \* and you have overcome the evil one."

**FATHERS**  
GREEK - PATER

VERSES WRITTEN TO "PATERS" (fathers)

1John 2:13 NAS "I am writing to you fathers because you know Him who has been from the beginning."

PAUL WAS A FATHER

1Cor 4:15 NAS "For if you were to have countless tutors in Christ, yet you would not have many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I became your father through the Gospel."

NOTES

1. OBEY-The KJV reads "believe not" from the Greek Apeitheo;"to disbelieve (willfully and perversely)" in 1 Pet 2:7 the KJV also translates "apeitheo" as "disobedient".

2. BEGOTTEN-From the Greek Genmao; "properly of men begetting children, more rarely of women giving birth." The primary meaning is the act of the father. The context must decide if it means begotten or born.

3. RECEIVED-From Greek Lambano;"to take with the hand" lay hold of. This is not the passive receiving of the Spirit, but the active receiving of the fact that Jesus is the Christ, as if anxious to make Him our own.

4. ADOPTION-When we are born again, we become the spiritual offspring of God; Greek teknon(plural teknon)"A child (as produced) with prominence given to the fact of birth. teknon emphasizes the idea of descent, giving prominence to the physical and outward aspects." HOWEVER, to be a son we must be granted the adoption. ↴

ADOPTION AS SONS-From the Greek Huiothesia, from huioi, "a Son" and thesio, "a placing", signifies the place and condition of a son, given to one whom it does not naturally belong.