

GROWING UP IN CHRIST
1 John 2:12-14

God is resolved to growing us up ...and to do so in a family – Phil 1:6; Col 2:19
...we are perfectly saved, yet being perfected day by day – Eph 4:11-16

	<u>"Little Children"</u> (1 Pet 2:2)	<u>"Young Men"</u> (1 Pet 3:18)	<u>"Fathers"</u> (Eph 4:13)
Revelation:	<u>Salvation</u> = deliverance	<u>Service</u> = devotion	<u>Sacrifice</u> = death
Christ:	<u>Present</u> = <u>with</u> me	<u>Prominent</u> = <u>in</u> me	<u>Pre-eminent</u> = <u>thru/as</u> me
The Cross:	<u>For</u> me = death of Christ	<u>In</u> me = resurrection of Christ	<u>Way</u> of the Cross = ascension/ glorification of Christ
Conflict(s):	<u>Right/Wrong</u> = with sins	<u>Right/Right</u> = old/new	<u>Natural/Spiritual</u> = false/true
Love:	Song of Sol 2:16	Song of Sol 6:3	Song of Sol 7:10
Alive to...	Being a <u>Receiver</u> = look for blessings	Being a <u>Doer</u> = want to give blessings	Being a <u>Giver</u> = are a blessing

All Christians are to have...

...the simplicity/innocence of a child

...the strength/fearlessness of a young adult

...the wisdom/perspective of maturity – 1 John 2:12-14