

Study Objectives



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The Sabbath Rest

Experiential Christianity

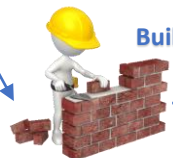
Sabbath Rest



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1 JN 4.1-3

Sabbath Rest



Building Blocks of Faith

- Definitions
- Synonyms
- Apostolic/Scriptural Unfolding – NT Epistles Interpretive Lens
- Exhortational Foundation

Fellowship of LIFE



Building Blocks of Faith

- Have LIFE
- Testimony of the Father
- Having Believed Evidence of Faith
- Promise of the Spirit

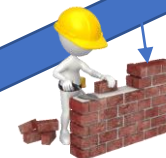
Blood of Christ



Building Blocks of Faith

- Incarnate God; Birth God/Man; New Creation
- Reality of the Blood; Human; Man
- Curse/LIFE
- Blood of Old/Blood of New
- Cry of the Heart “Abba Father”; Peace with God
- Experience of LIFE

Study Method



Building Blocks of Faith

- Methodical Bible Study: Basic & Advanced Step
- Kipling in Experience
- Epistolary Method: Experience of Resident Life
- Know by the Knowing Experience

*I never asked you to live the Christian life,
I came to share **MY LIFE** with you.*

Ez 36.25-27

The New Covenant as the Experience
of the Believer Unfolded in the New
Testament

- [LINK](#)

Seminar Fall '23

Fri –Sunday 2 Nights

Seminar Spring '24

Fri –Sunday 2 Nights

Oct. 17 – May 8th





- **I Don't Want to Get Adjusted to This World - Iris Dement**



- **God Walks the Dark Hills - Iris Dement**

A collection of vintage photographs and items is arranged on a surface. The items include a baby's face, two young girls in white dresses, a man in a suit, and a dog. The photographs are sepia-toned and have white borders. The items are arranged in a somewhat haphazard manner, with some overlapping. The background is a dark, textured surface.

- Sweet Beulah Land - Squire Parsons

False Assurance

R. C. Sproul


- **False Assurance: The Assurance of Salvation with R.C. Sproul**

LINK

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The Assurance of Salvation

A teaching series by R.C. Sproul



1. The Duty of Pursuing Assurance **LINK**

2. Assurance Enhances Sanctification **LINK**

3. Four Kinds of People **LINK**

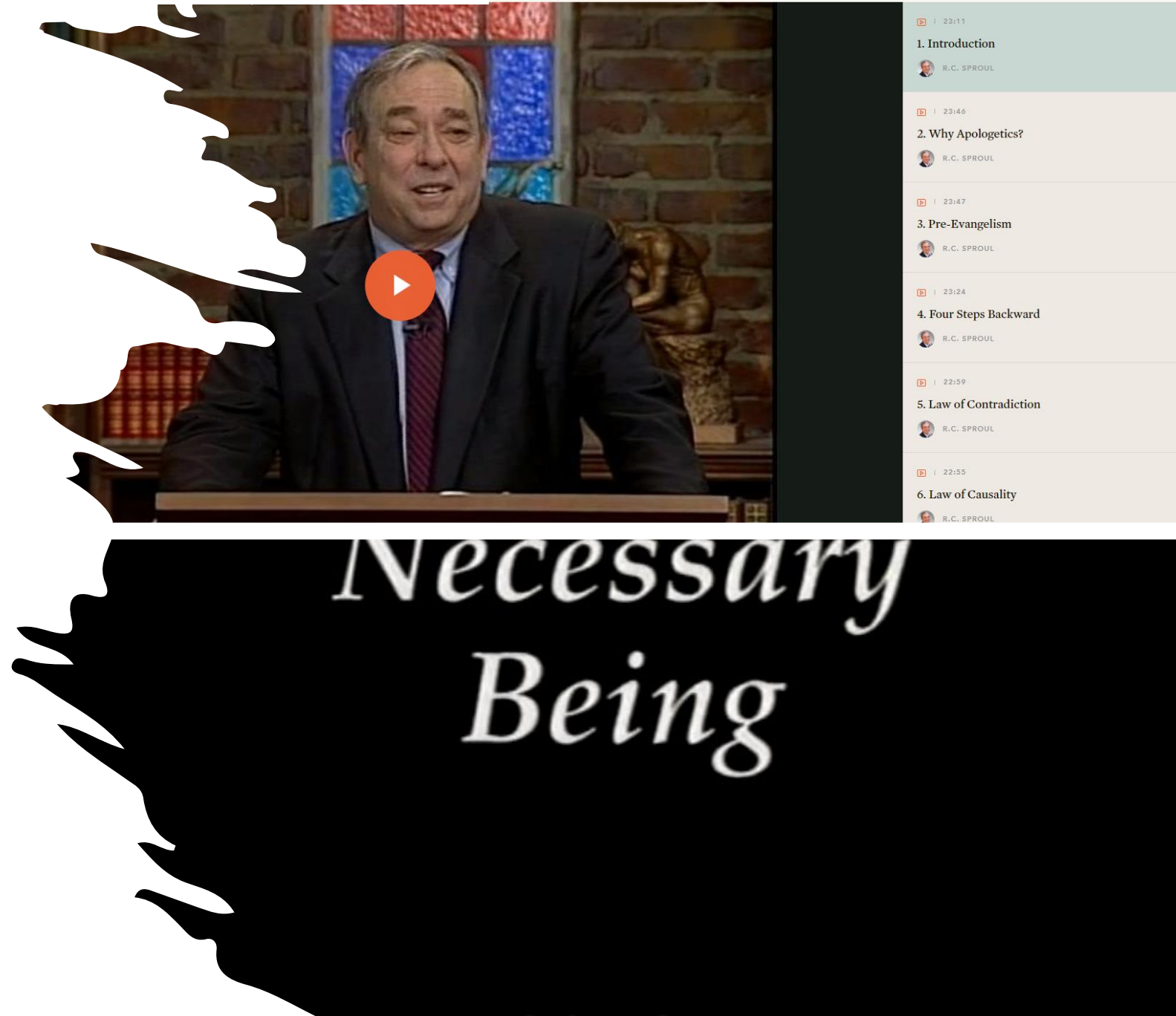
4. False Assurance **LINK**

5. Gaining True Assurance **LINK**

6. The Source of Full Assurance **LINK**

Defending Your Faith

- **Necessary Being: Defending Your Faith with R.C. Sproul**



Defending Your Faith

- **God of the Bible vs. God of Philosophy RC Sproul**



- 1. Introduction | 23:11
- 2. Why Apologetics? | 23:46
- 3. Pre-Evangelism | 23:47
- 4. Four Steps Backward | 23:24
- 5. Law of Contradiction | 22:59
- 6. Law of Causality | 22:55

God of the Bible vs. God of Philosophy

MESSAGE 22



LECTURES ON **DEIFICATION**

- Deification in Gregory Palamas | Alexis Torrance

Work Sheet

Dynamic of the SPIRITUAL MIND

Thinking

Be renewed in the spirit/Spirit of my mind/MIND

Connecting the dots

intellectual

Spiritual

I see I reason I know

I KNOW

I think I know I KNOW

I deduce I infer

I Receive my knowledge from KNOWING THEE

Taught Of God with my Mind kneeling before thee

Unfolded from Thee

Using mind as utility before thee enlightened by thee

assured not by reason but confirmed and lighted by the KNOWing of thee

Ie Consider Jesus

Doctrine/Teaching

Received TRUTH

Reasoned Truth

Inside Participation

Outside Observation

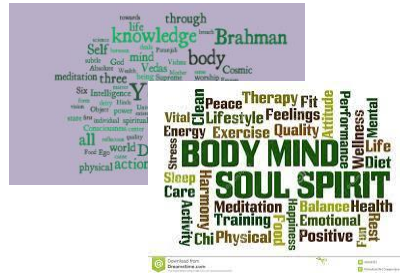
Eph 4:20 You did not so learn Christ!--

21 assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus.

22 Put off your old nature which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful lusts,

23 and be renewed in the spirit of your minds,

24 and put on the new nature, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.



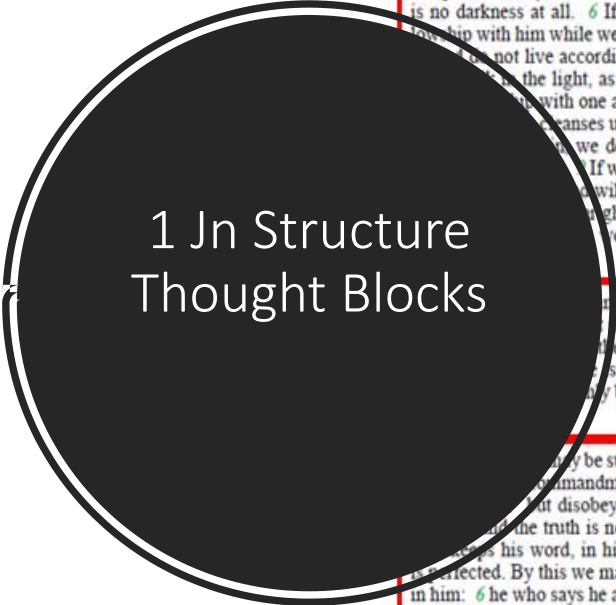
PRAYER Eph 3

Eph 3:18 may have power to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, 19 and to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fulness of God.

Embracing our Humanity includes in the Body

We do not run and hide/bury/subdue our Body/Humanity

We jointly Participate with our BROTHER in the compositeness of our Being/HUMANITY as the manifest HOUSE of God And the Place of HIS Divine Expression of PERSON



1 Jn Structure
Thought Blocks

1:1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—2 the life was made manifest, and we saw it, and testify to it, and proclaim to you the eternal life which was with the Father and was made manifest to us—3 that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you may have fellowship with us; and our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. 4 And we are writing this that our joy may be complete.

5 This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him is no darkness at all. 6 If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we do not live according to the truth; 7 but who is the light, as he is in the light, we fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus which cleanses us from all sin. 8 If we say we love him, but do not love his commandments, we deceive ourselves, and the blood does not cleanse us from our sins. 9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and our sin is unpunished.

11 Writing this to you so that you may not be deceived by anyone who does sin, we know that the Son of God has come in the flesh. The Father, Jesus Christ who is the expiation for our sins, has been revealed, but also for the sins of the world. 12 Who is the liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, he who denies the Father and the Son. 13 No one who denies the Son has the Father. He who confesses the Son has the Father also. 14 Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, then you will abide in the Son and in the Father. 15 And this is what he has promised us, eternal life.

16 Do not be sure that we know him, but if we keep his commandments, we will abide in him, and he will abide in us, and we will receive his harvest of fruit. 17 He who says he knows him, but does not keep his commandments, is a liar, and his sin is unpunished. 18 He who obeys his word, in him truly love for God is perfected. By this we may be sure that we are in him: 19 he who says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.

20 Beloved, I am writing you no new commandment, but an old commandment which you had from the beginning; the old commandment is the word which you have heard. 21 Yet I am writing you a new commandment, which is true in him and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the true light is already shining. 22 He who says he is in the light and hates his brother is in the darkness still. 23 He who loves his brother abides in the light, and in it there is no cause for stumbling. 24 But he who hates his brother is in the darkness and walks in the darkness, and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

25 I am writing to you, little children, because your sins are forgiven for his sake. 26 I am writing to you, fathers, because you know him who is from the beginning. I am writing to you, young men, because you have overcome the evil one. I write to you, children, because you know the Father. 27 I write to you, fathers, because you know him who is from the beginning. I write to you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of God abides in you, and you have overcome the evil one.

28 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If any one loves the world, love for the Father is not in him. 29 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the pride of life, is not of the Father but is of the world. 30 And the world passes away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides for ever.

31 Children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that antichrist is coming, so now many antichrists have come; therefore we know that it is the last hour. 32 They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out, that it might be plain that they all are not of us.

33 But you have been anointed by the Holy One, and you all know. 34 I write to you, not because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and know that no lie is of the truth. 35 Who is the liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, he who denies the Father and the Son. 36 No one who denies the Son has the Father. He who confesses the Son has the Father also. 37 Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, then you will abide in the Son and in the Father. 38 And this is what he has promised us, eternal life.

39 I write this to you about those who would deceive you; 40 but the anointing which you received from him abides in you, and you have no need that any one should teach you; as his anointing teaches you about everything, and is true, and is no lie, just as it has taught you, abide in him.

41 And now, little children, abide in him, so that when he appears we may have confidence and not shrink from him in shame at his coming. 42 If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that every one who does right is born of him.

43 See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 44 Beloved, we are God's children now; it does not yet appear what we shall be, but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. 45 And every one who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

46 Every one who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. 47 You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. 48 No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. 49 Little children, let no one deceive you. He who does right is righteous, as he is righteous. 50 He who commits sin is of the devil; for the devil has sinned from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil. 51 No one born of God commits sin; for God's nature abides in him, and he cannot sin because he is born of God. 52 By this it may be seen who are the children of God, and who are the children of the devil: whoever does not do right is not of God, nor he who does not love his brother.

53 For this is the message which you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another. 54 And not be like Cain who was of the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own deeds were evil and his brother's righteous. 55 Do not wonder, brethren, that the world hates you. 56 We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brethren. He who does not love abides in death. 57 Any one who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him. 58 By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. 59 But if any one has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? 60 Little children, let us not love in word or speech but in deed and in truth.

61 By this we shall know that we are of the truth, and reassure our hearts before him 62 whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. 63 Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence before God; 64 and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. 65 And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. 66 All who keep his commandments abide in him, and he in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit which he has given us.

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70 Little children, you are of God, and have overcome them; for he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world. 71 They are of the world, therefore what they say is of the world, and the world listens to them. 72 We are of God. Whoever knows God listens to us, and he who is not of God does not listen to us. By this we know the spirit of truth and the spirit of error.

73 Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God, and he who loves is born of God and knows God. 74 He who does not love does not know God; for God is love. 75 In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. 76 In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the expiation for our sins. 77 Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. 78 No man has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

79 By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his own Spirit. 80 And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. 81 Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. 82 So we know and believe the love God has for us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.

83 In this is love perfected with us, that we may have confidence for the day of judgment, because as he is so are we in this world. 84 There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and he who fears is not perfected in love. 85 We love, because he first loved us. 86 If any one says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen. 87 And this commandment we have from him, that he who loves God should love his brother also.

88 Every one who believes that Jesus is the Christ is a child of God, and every one who loves the parent loves the child. 89 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. 90 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. 91 For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that overcomes the world, our faith. 92 Who is it that overcomes the world but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

93 This is he who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. 94 And the Spirit is the witness, because the Spirit is the truth. 95 There are three witnesses, the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree. 96 If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has borne witness to his Son. 97 He who believes in the Son of God has the testimony in himself. He who does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne to his Son. 98 And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. 99 He who has the Son has life; he who has not the Son of God has no life.

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107 And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, to know him who is true; and we are in him who is true, in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God and eternal life. 108 Little children, keep yourselves from idols.

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1:1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—² the life was made manifest and we saw it, and testify to it, and proclaim to you the eternal life which was with the Father and was made manifest to us—³ that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you may have fellowship with us; and our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴ And we are writing this that our joy may be complete.

⁵ This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him is no darkness at all. ⁶ If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not live according to the truth; ⁷ but if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸ If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰ If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

2:1 My little children, I am writing this to you so that you may not sin; but if any one does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; ² and he is the expiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

³ And by this we may be sure that we know him, if we keep his commandments. ⁴ He who says "I know him" but disobeys his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him; ⁵ but whoever keeps his word, in him truly love for God is perfected. By this we may be sure that we are in him: ⁶ he who says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.

⁷ Beloved, I am writing you no new commandment, but an old commandment which you had from the beginning; the old commandment is the word which you have heard. ⁸ Yet I am writing you a new commandment, which is true in him and in you, because the darkness is passing away and the true light is already shining. ⁹ He who says he is in the light and hates his brother is in the darkness still. ¹⁰ He who loves his brother abides in the light, and in it there is no cause for stumbling. ¹¹ But he who hates his brother is in the darkness and walks in the darkness, and does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded his eyes.

¹² I am writing to you, little children, because your sins are forgiven for his sake. ¹³ I am writing to you, fathers, because you know him who is from the beginning. I am writing to you, young men, because you have overcome the evil one. I write to you, children, because you know the Father. ¹⁴ I write to you, fathers, because you know him who is from the beginning. I write to you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of God abides in you, and you have overcome the evil one.

¹⁵ Do not love the world or the things in the world. If any one loves the world, love for the Father is not in him. ¹⁶ For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the pride of life, is not of the Father but is of the world. ¹⁷ And the world passes away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides for ever.

¹⁸ Children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that antichrist is coming, so now many antichrists have come; therefore we know that it is the last hour. ¹⁹ They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out, that it might be plain that they all are not of us.

²⁰ But you have been anointed by the Holy One, and you all know. ²¹ I write to you, not because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and know that no lie is of the truth. ²² Who is the liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, he who denies the Father and the Son. ²³ No one who denies the Son has the Father. He who confesses the Son has the Father also. ²⁴ Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, then you will abide in the Son and in the Father. ²⁵ And this is what he has promised us, eternal life.

²⁶ I write this to you about those who would deceive you; ²⁷ but the anointing which you received from him abides in you, and you have no need that any one should teach you; as his anointing teaches you about everything, and is true, and is no lie, just as it has taught you, abide in him.

²⁸ And now, little children, abide in him, so that when he appears we may have confidence and not shrink from him in shame at his coming. ²⁹ If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that every one who does right is born of him.

3:1 See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ² Beloved, we are God's children now; it does not yet appear what we shall be, but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. ³ And every one who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

⁴ Every one who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. ⁵ You know that he appeared to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. ⁶ No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. ⁷ Little children, let no one deceive you. He who does right is righteous, as he is righteous. ⁸ He who commits sin is of the devil; for the devil has sinned from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil. ⁹ No one born of God commits sin; for God's nature abides in him, and he cannot sin because he is born of God. ¹⁰ By this it may be seen who are the children of God, and who are the children of the devil: whoever does not do right is not of God, nor he who does not love his brother.

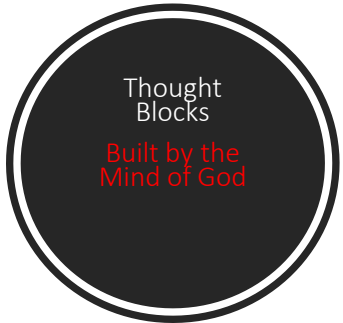
¹¹ For this is the message which you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another, ¹² and not be like Cain who was of the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own deeds were evil and his brother's righteous. ¹³ Do not wonder, brethren, that the world hates you. ¹⁴ We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brethren. He who does not love abides in death. ¹⁵ Any one who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him. ¹⁶ By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. ¹⁷ But if any one has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? ¹⁸ Little children, let us not love in word or speech but in deed and in truth.

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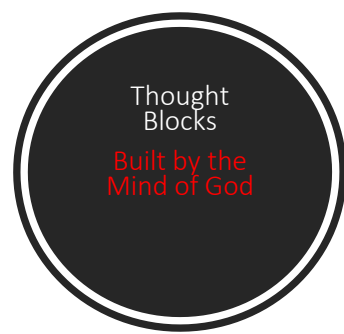
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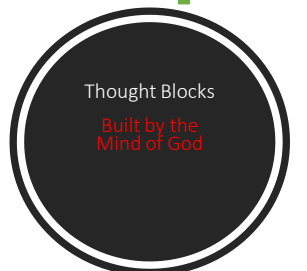
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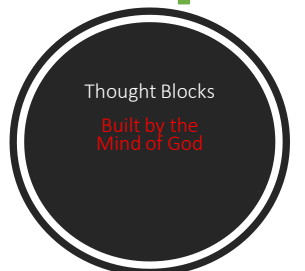
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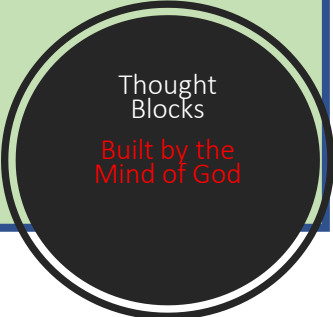
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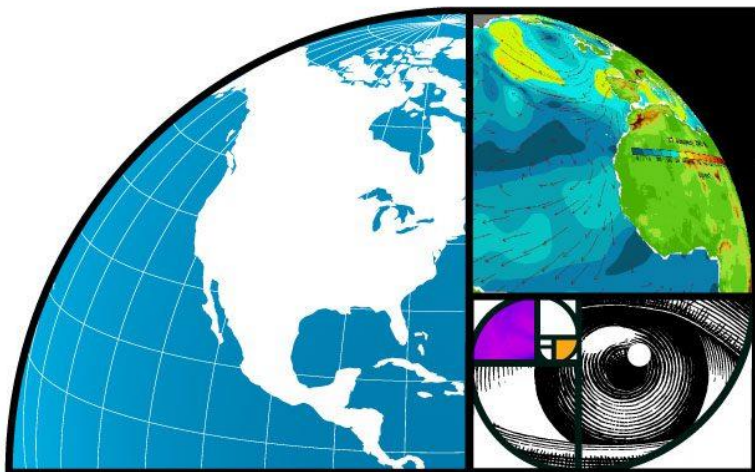
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Ga 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control; against such there is no law.

LOVE

Seeks the highest good of others.

JOY

Gladness that is not based on circumstances.

PEACE

Contentment, unity between people.

PATIENCE

Slow to speak and slow to anger.

KINDNESS

Merciful, sweet, and tender.

GOODNESS

Generous and open hearted.

FAITHFULNESS

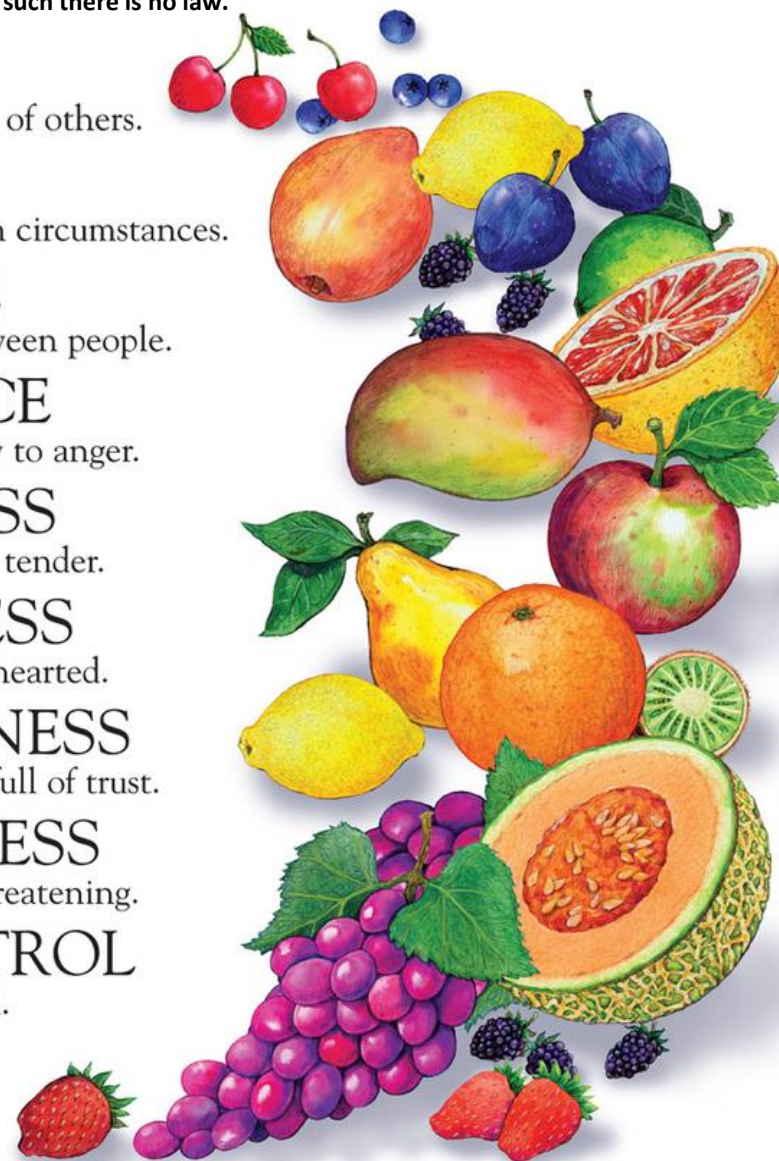
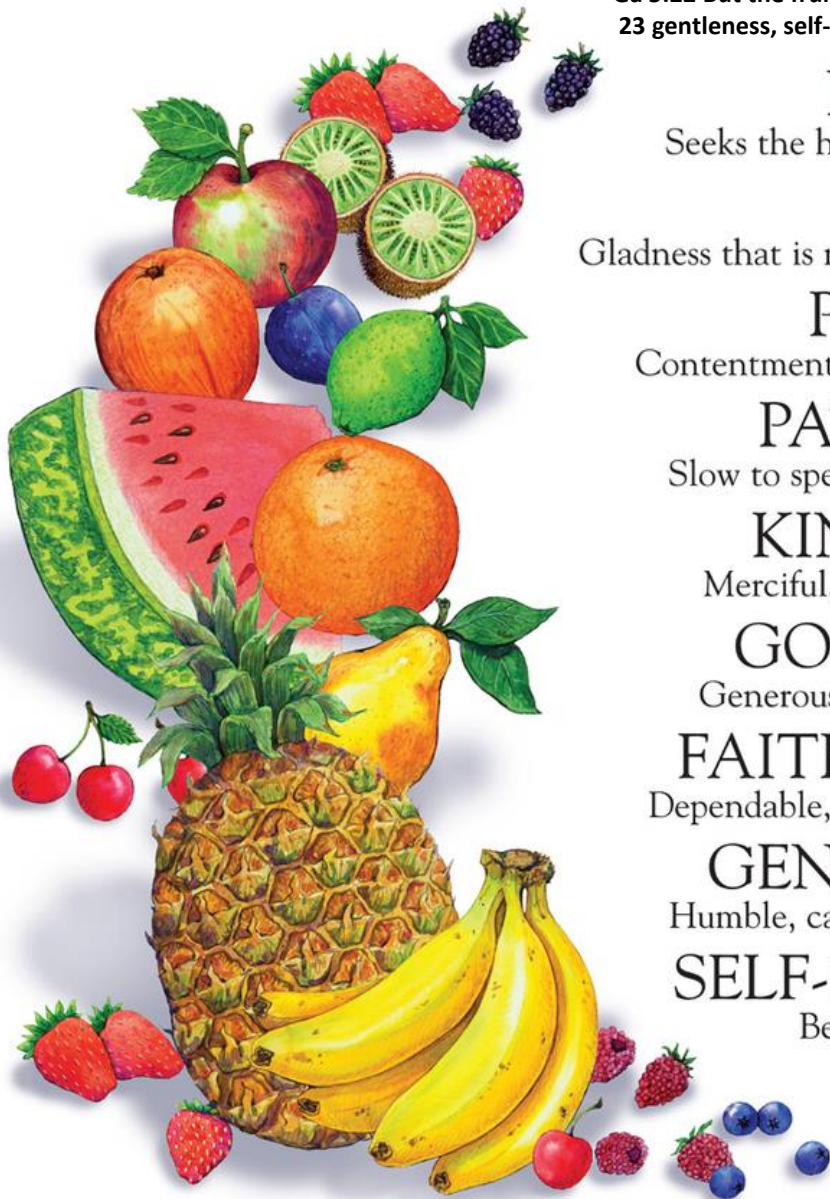
Dependable, loyal, and full of trust.

GENTLENESS

Humble, calm, non-threatening.

SELF-CONTROL

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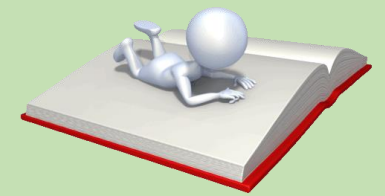


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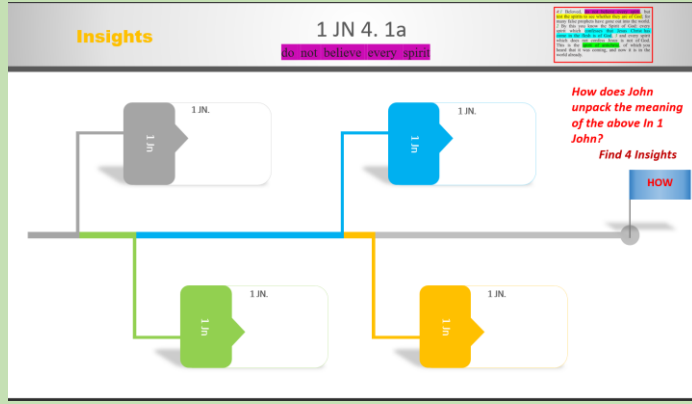
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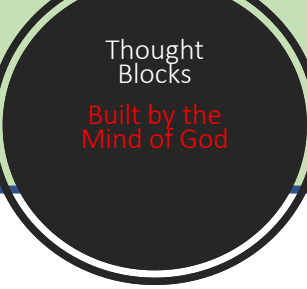
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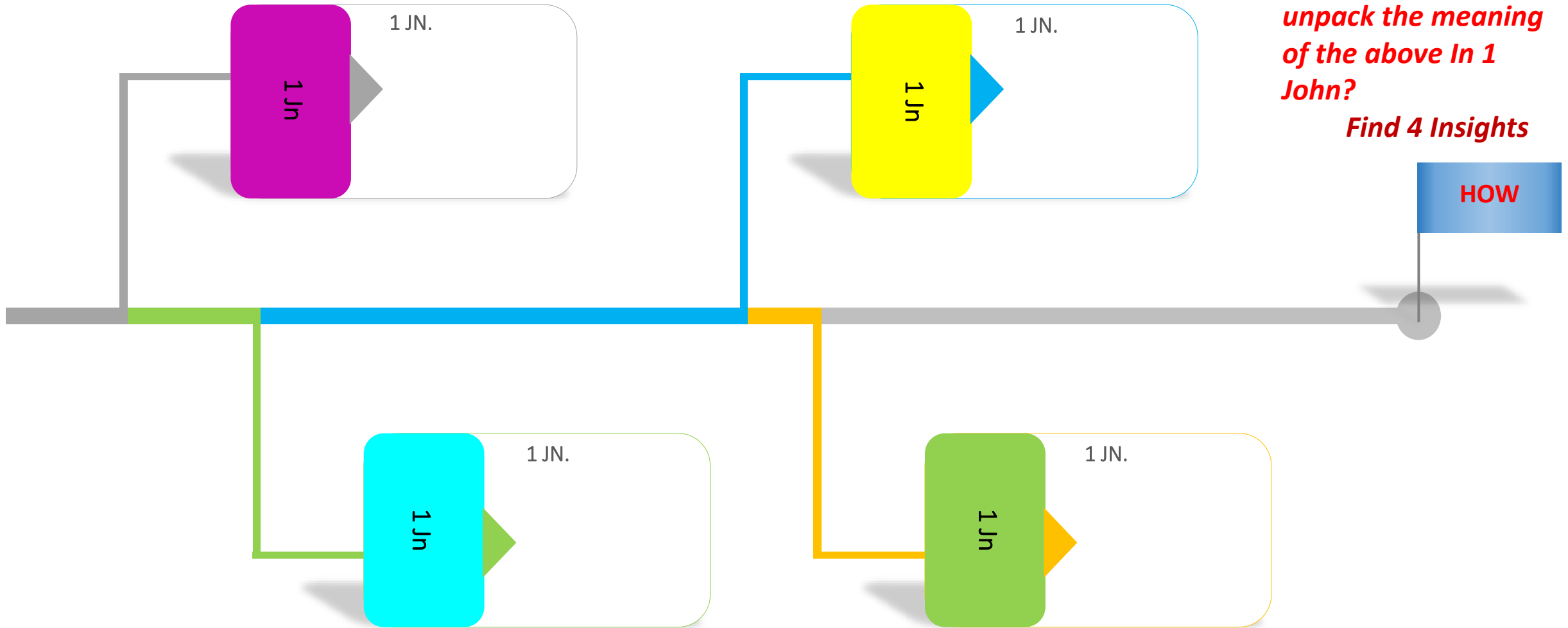
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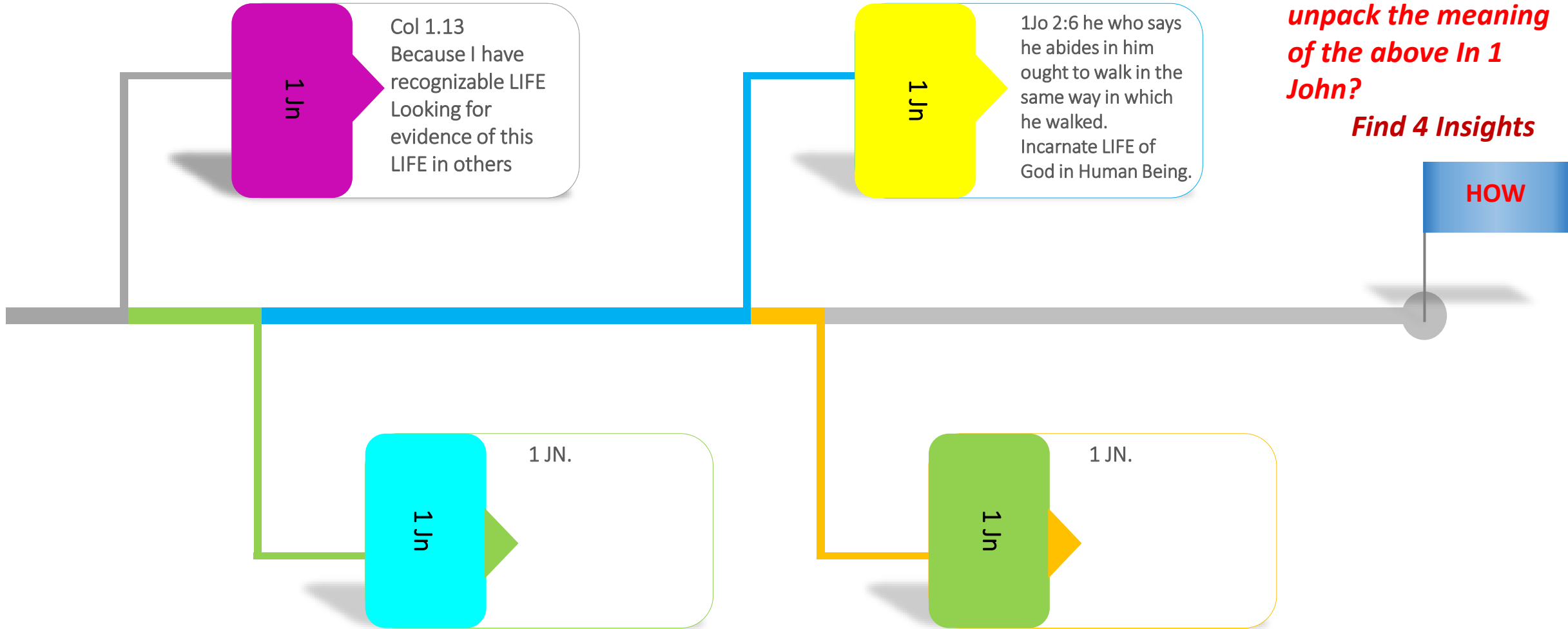
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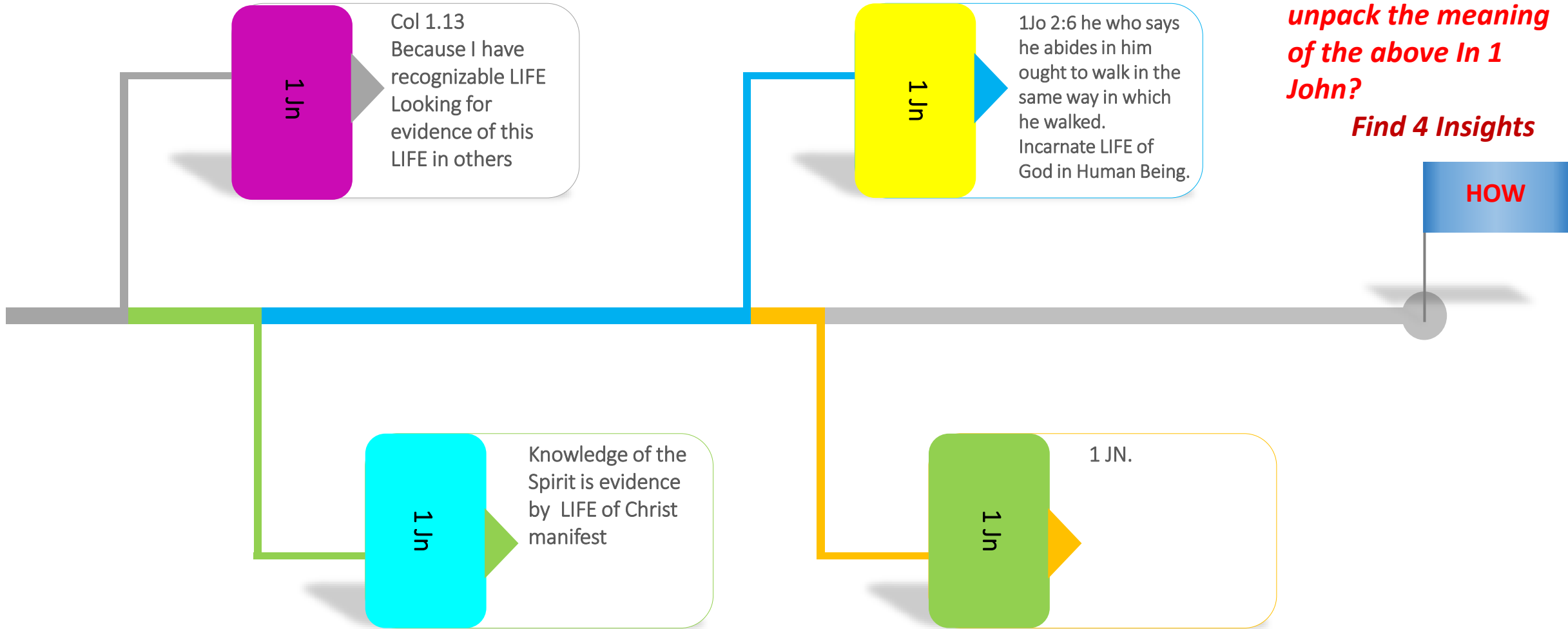
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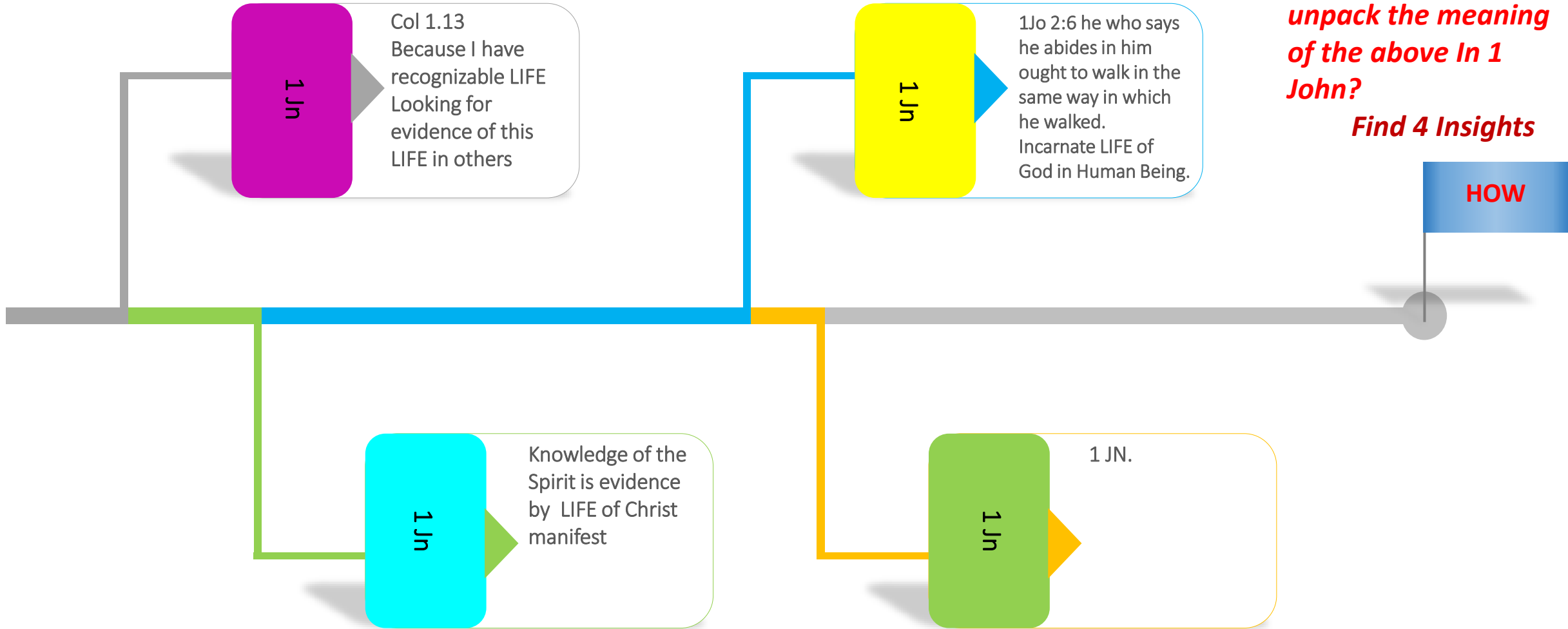
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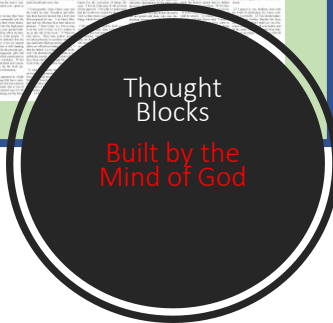
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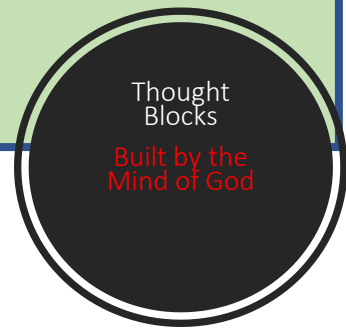
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