

Paul, His Life and Teachings



Paul's Theology God (Part 2)

Lesson 39

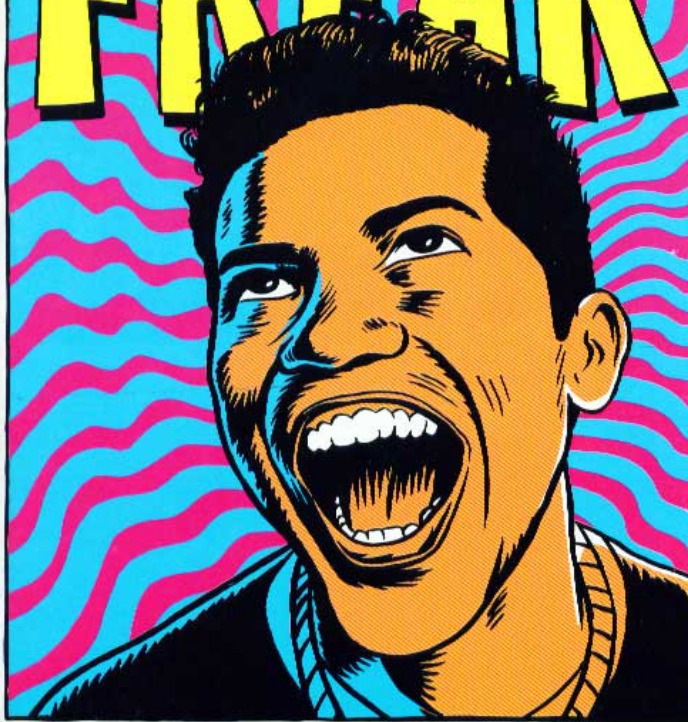
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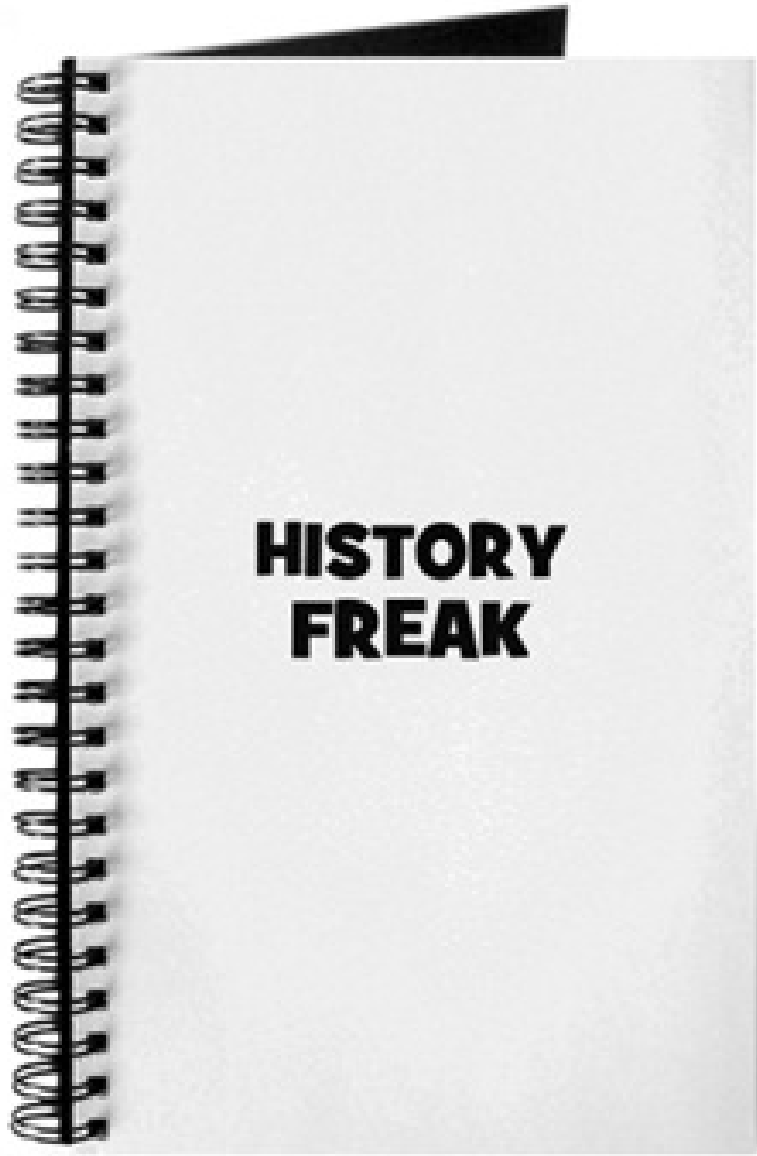
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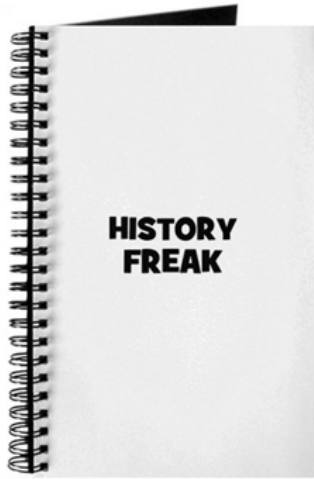
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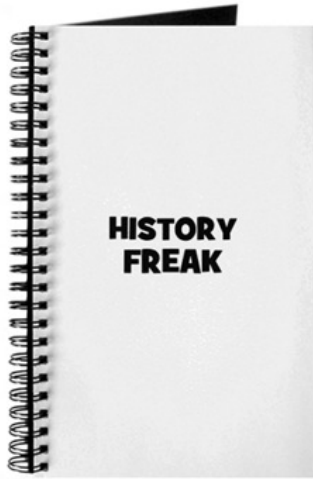
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Ascribing human forms on
non-humans!

This week ... God the “Father”



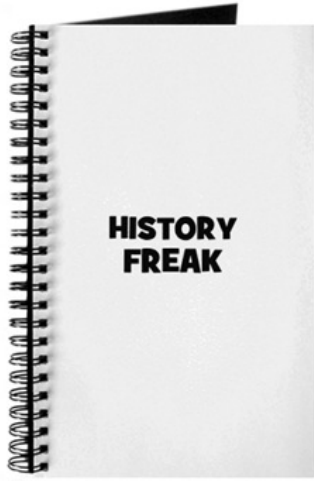
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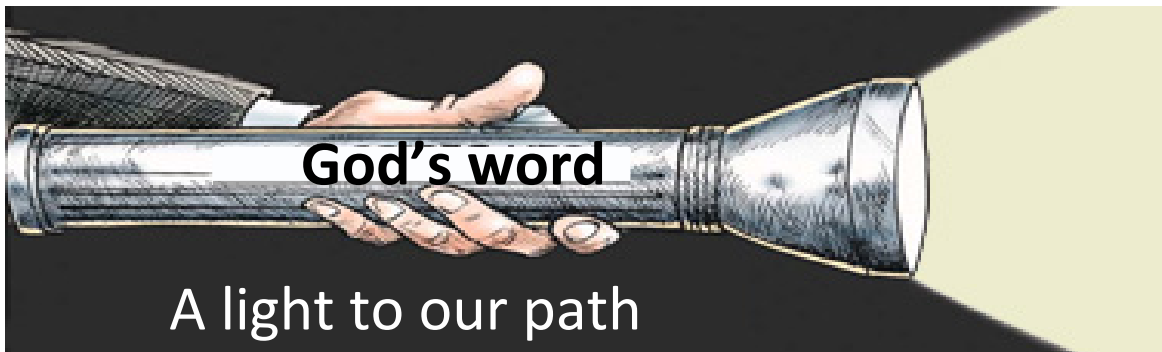
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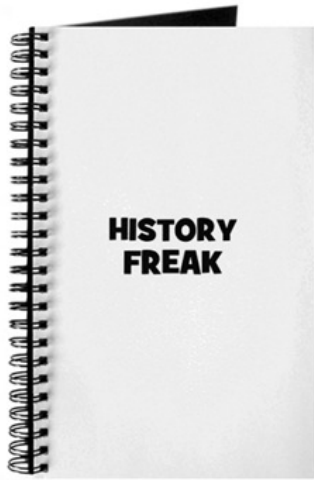
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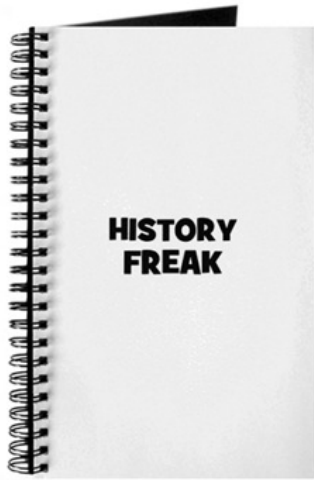
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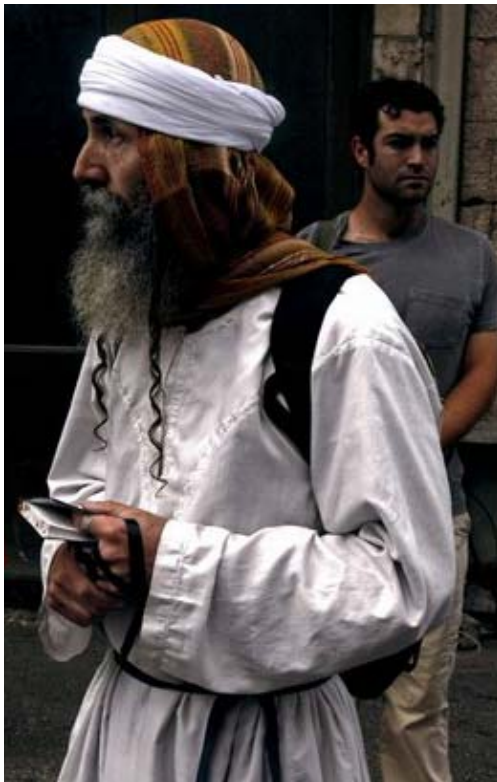
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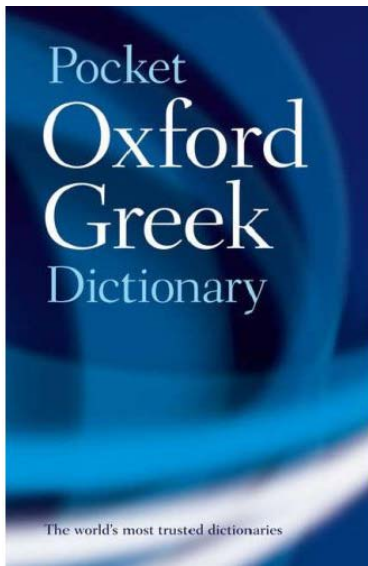


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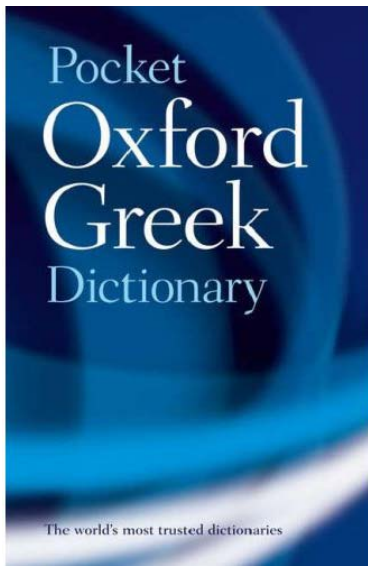


Paul, a “Hebrew of Hebrews
A “Pharisee of Pharisees”
Rabbinically trained

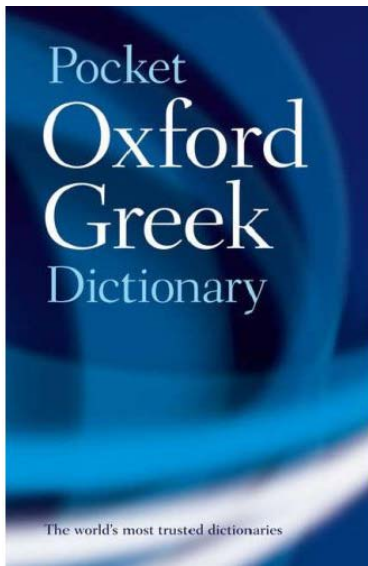




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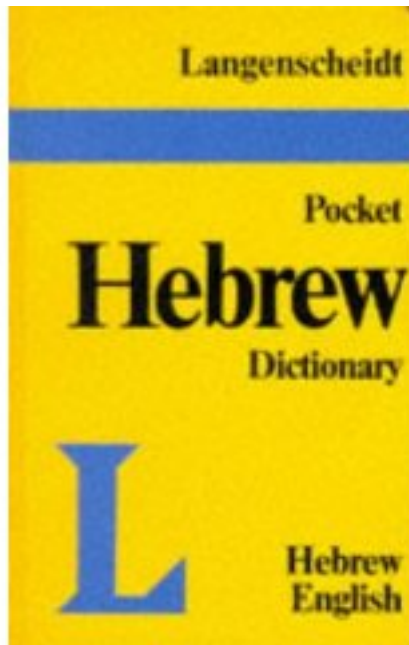


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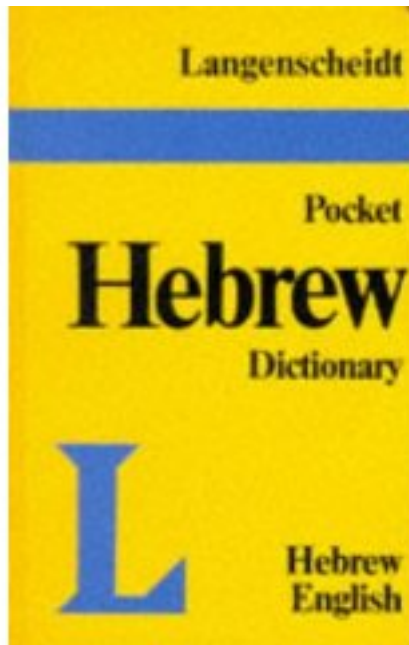
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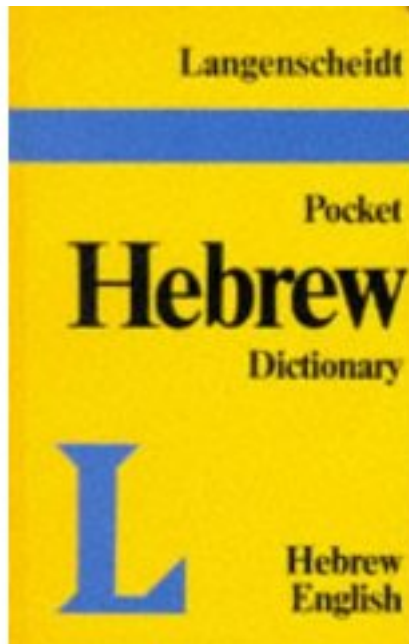


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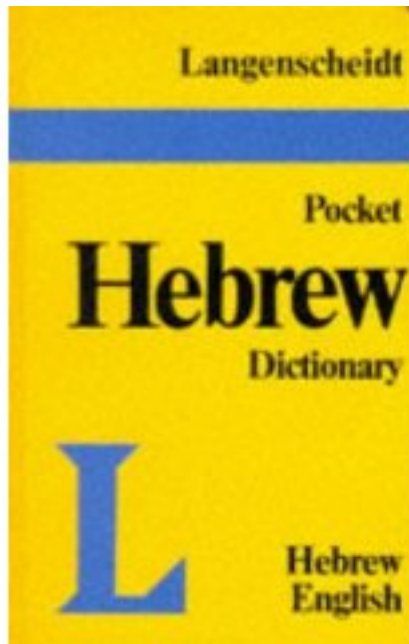
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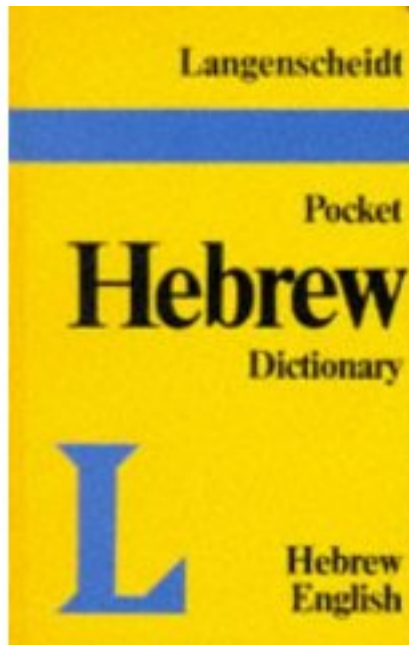


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ab = “father”



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Think “*Abraham*”

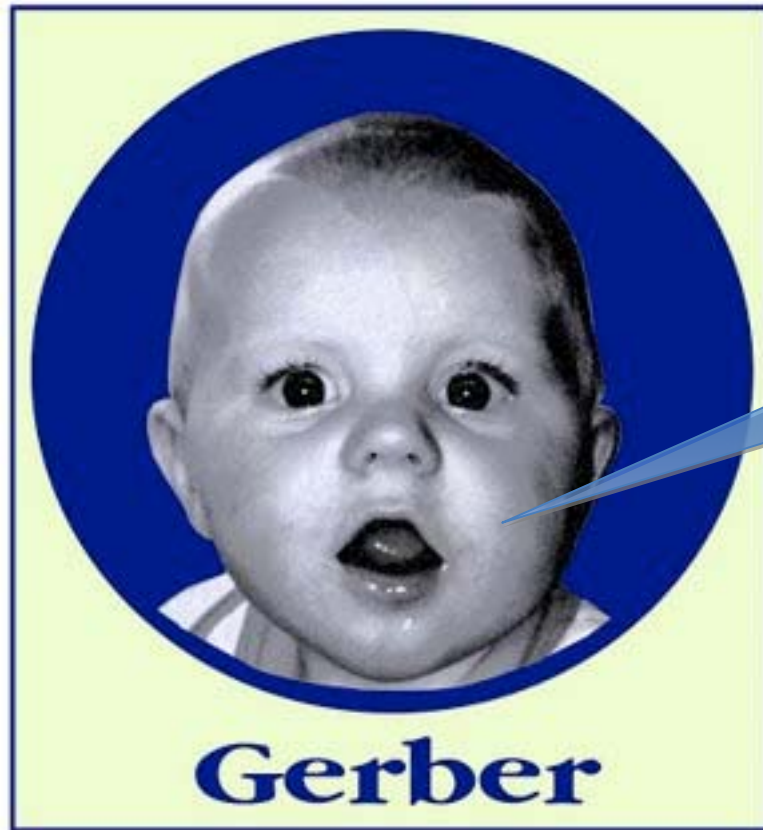
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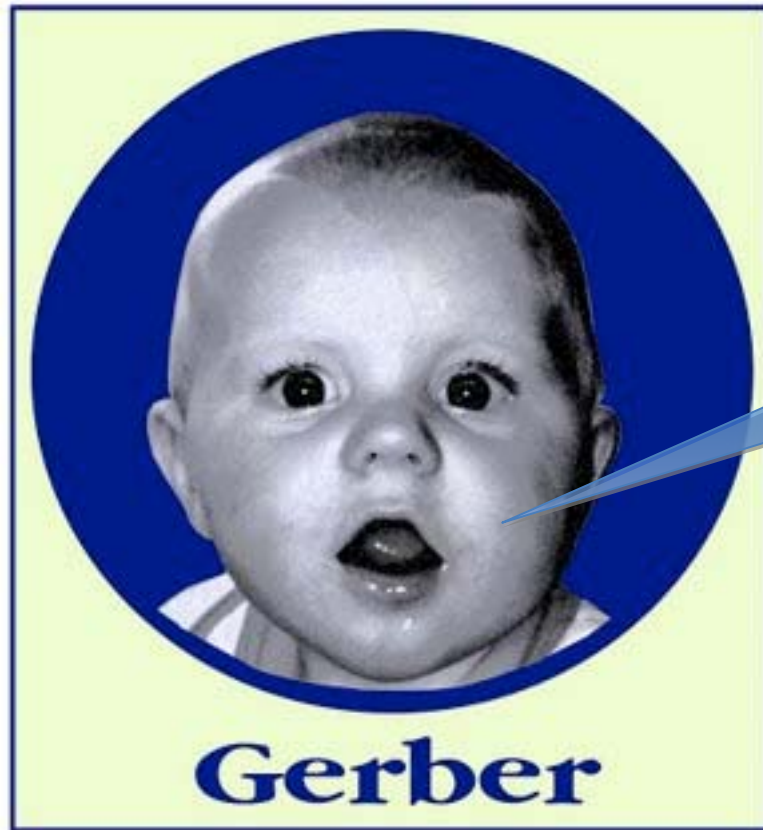


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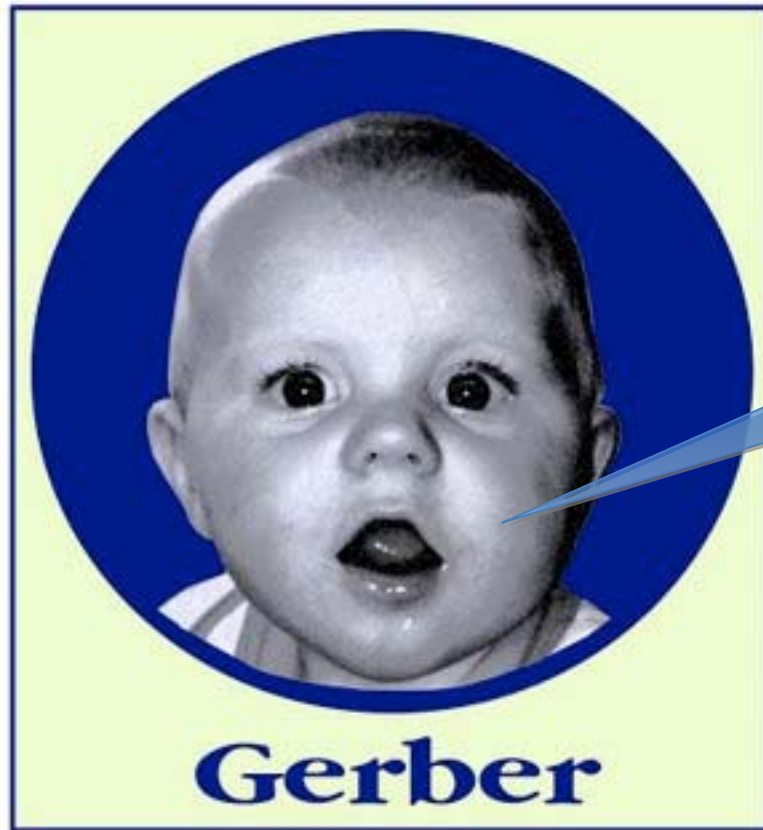
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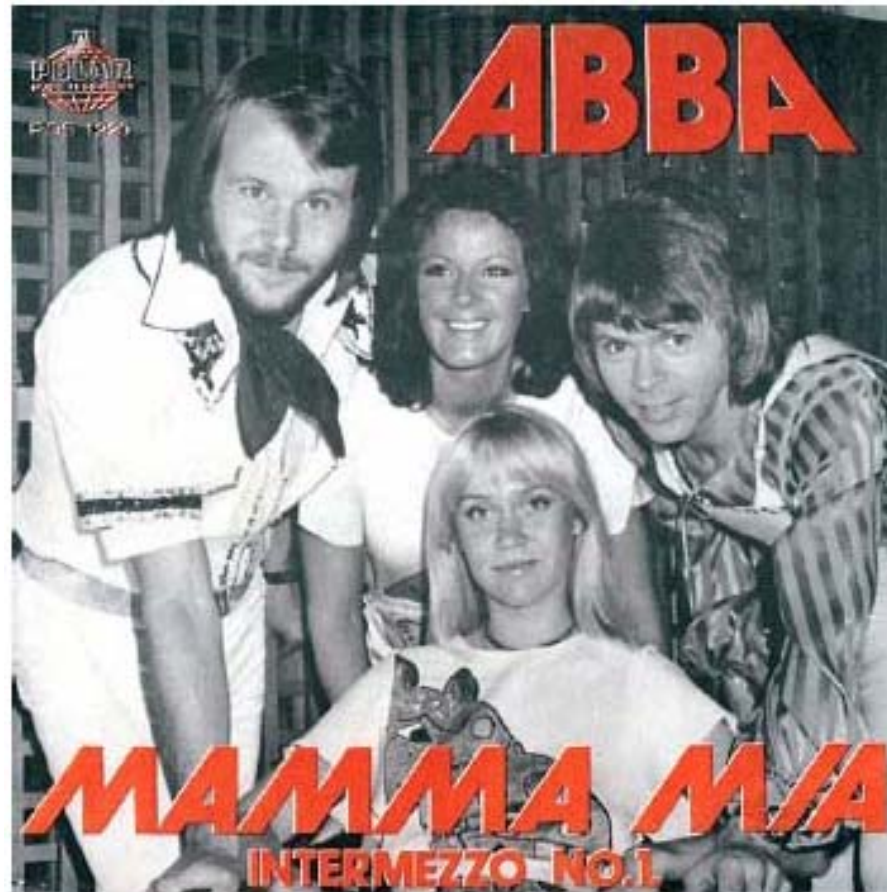
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abba is an
affectionate
form for *ab*

Not Your Father's ABBA!

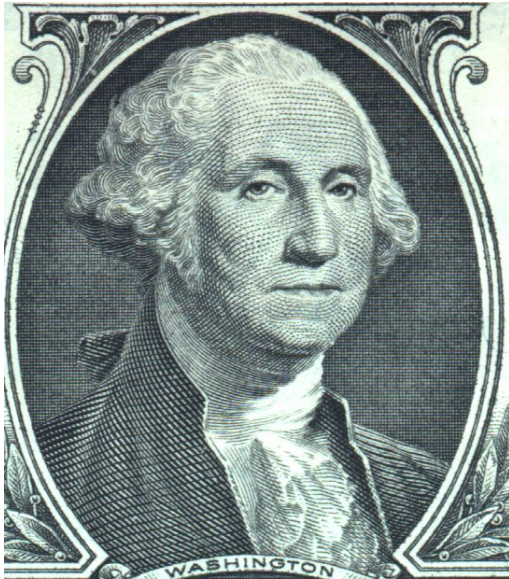




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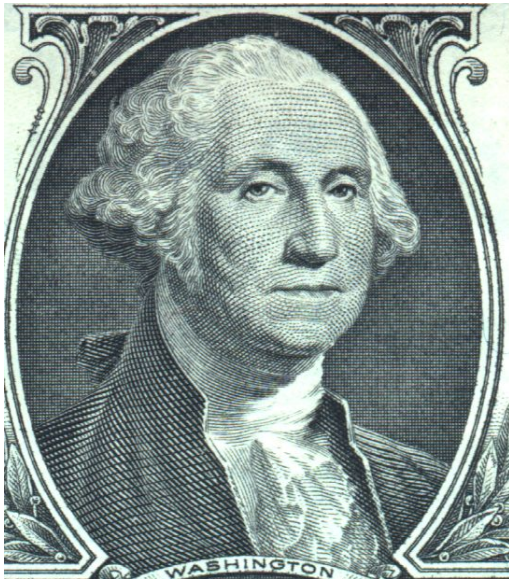


ab can be someone who starts a movement





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Jabal is the “father [*ab*
] of those who dwell in
tents”
(Gen 4:20)



ab can be someone deserving special honor or respect





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David calls King Saul
“father [*ab*]”
(1 Sam. 24:11)



ab can be one who takes extra care for those in need





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Joseph calls himself a
“father [*ab*]” to Pharoah
(Gen. 45:8)

ab as a family father



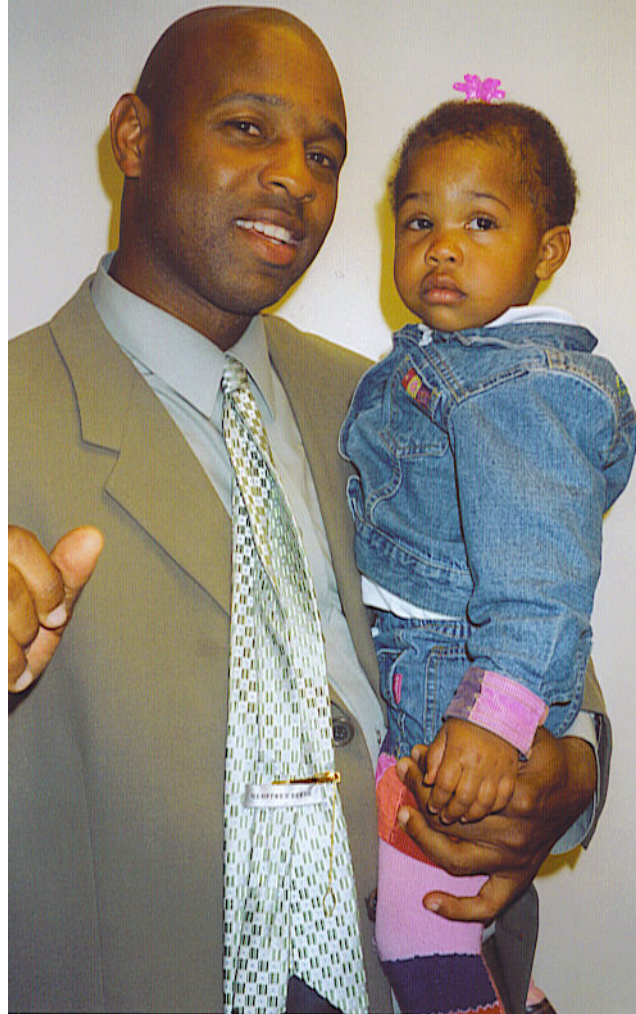
Father [*ab*] has almost unlimited authority



WARNING! Authority is not always exercised properly!



Children are taught to honor their father



Father is the one who shapes the family



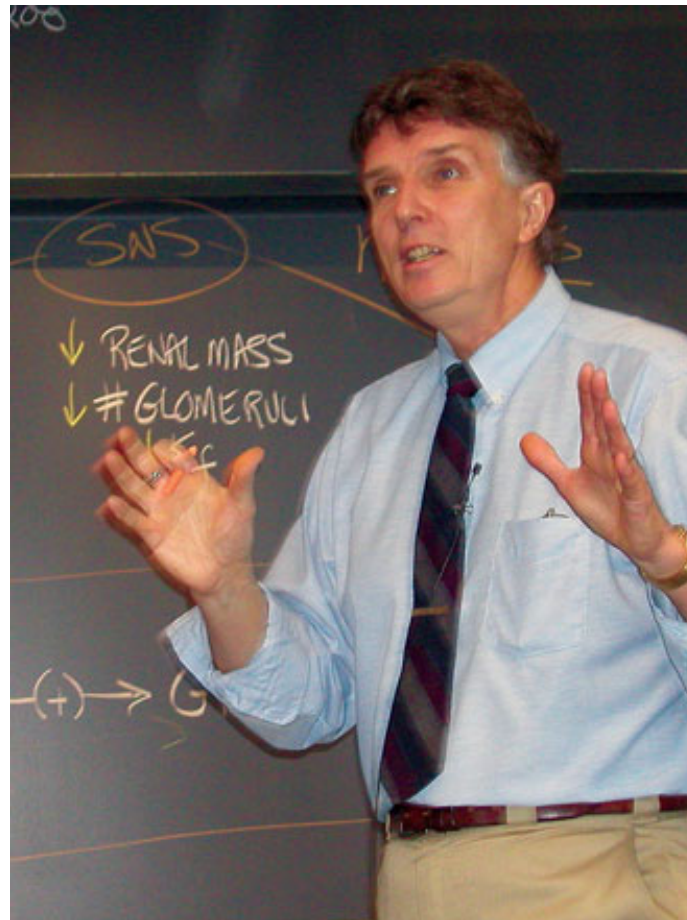
The father was responsible for protecting his children



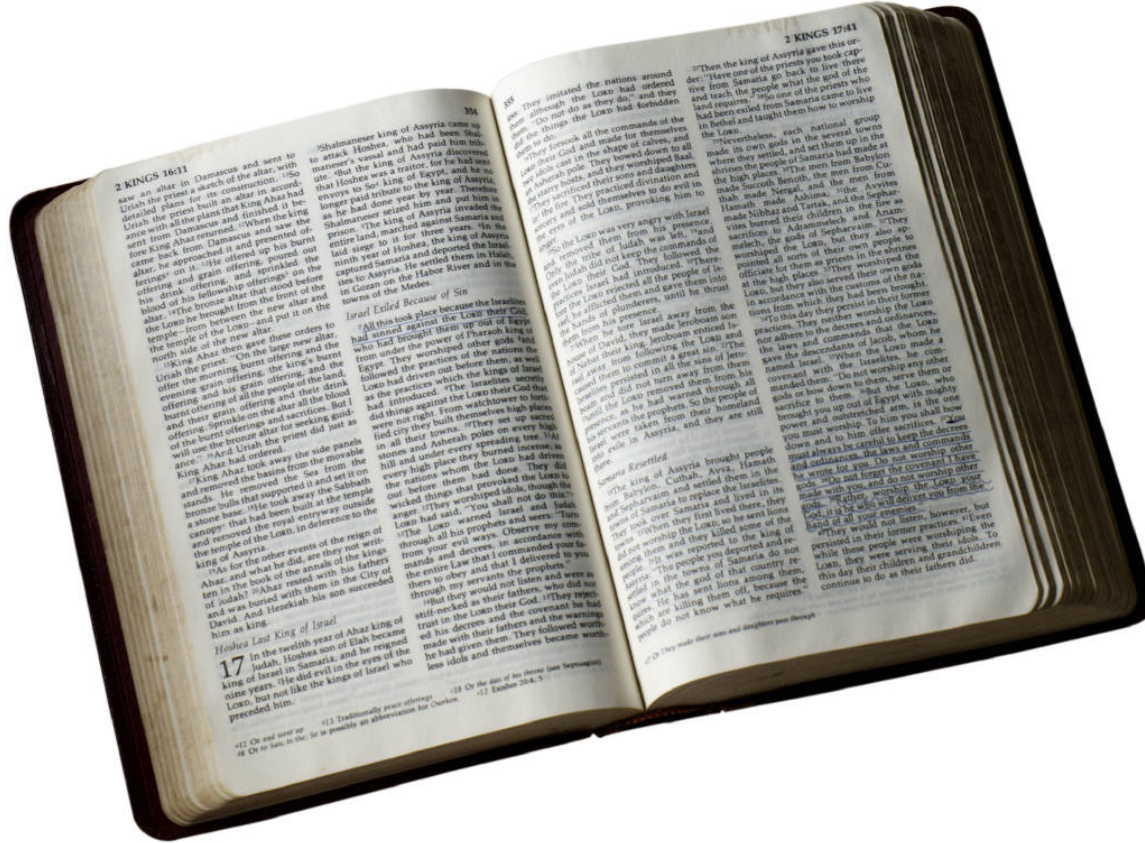
The father was responsible for training his children



The father was responsible for teaching his children



It is rare in the Old Testament to find God called one's Father



2 KINGS 16:1

...to attack Hoshea, who had paid him tribute. The king of Assyria discovered that Hoshea was a traitor, for he had no longer paid tribute to the king of Assyria. So the king of Assyria invaded the land, and he laid siege to it for three years. In the ninth year of Hoshea, the king of Assyria captured Samaria and deported the Israelites to Assyria. He settled them in Hainan, in Golan, in the Habor River and in the towns of the Medes.

Israel Exiled Because of Sin

All this took place because the Israelites had sinned against the Lord their God, who had brought them up out of Egypt. They worshipped other gods and followed the practices of the nations he had driven out before them, as well as the practices which the kings of Israel had introduced. The Lord their God had said things against the high places, and they were not right. From watchtowers high places they built themselves high places, and Asherah poles on every high hill and under every spreading tree. In every high place they burned incense, and the nations whom the Lord had driven out before them had done. They did wicked things that provoked the Lord to anger. They worshipped idols, though the Lord had said, 'You shall not do this.' They worshipped Israel and Jahaz. The Lord warned Israel and said, 'Observe my commandments and decrees, in accordance with the entire law that I delivered to you through my servants the prophets. But you have not listened and have not kept my commandments. Therefore, the Lord your God will bring you down and scatter you among the nations, and you will be a curse and a reproach to all the nations. The Lord will bring you down and scatter you among the nations, and you will be a curse and a reproach to all the nations. The Lord will bring you down and scatter you among the nations, and you will be a curse and a reproach to all the nations.'

Hoshea Last King of Israel

In the twelfth year of Ithab became king of Israel. Hoshea son of Bebai was king of Israel in Samaria, and he reigned nine years. He did evil in the eyes of the Lord, but not like the kings of Israel who preceded him.

2 KINGS 17:1

Then the king of Assyria gave this order: 'Take one of the prisoners you took captive from Samaria, go back to live their own language, and teach the people what the god of the land requires.' So one of the prisoners who had been sent from Samaria came to live in Bethel and taught them how to worship the Lord. Nevertheless, each national group made its own gods in the several towns where they settled, and set them up in the high places. The men from Babylon set up Nibhaz, the men from Cuthah set up Succoth Benoth, the men from Hamath set up Ashim, the men from Sepharvaim set up Adrammelech and Anammelech, the gods of Sepharvaim. They also worshipped the Lord, but they also sacrificed to their own gods in the high places. They worshipped the Lord, but they also served their own gods in accordance with the customs of the nations from which they perished in their former day. They neither worshiped the Lord in accordance with the decrees and ordinances, nor the laws and commands of Jacob, whom he gave to the Israelites, he commanded them. Do not worship any other gods or bow down to them, serve them with sacrifice in them. But the Lord, who brought you up out of Egypt, will be angry with you for not obeying his commands. You must worship the Lord and him alone, and you must always be careful to keep the decrees and commands that I have written for you. Do not worship other gods. Do not forget the covenant I made with you, and do not worship other gods. For I, the Lord, am your God, and I will deliver you from the hands of all your enemies. They would not listen, however, but they were serving their idols. To this day their children and grandchildren continue to do as their fathers did.

17 On the date of his death, see Septuagint. 18 On the date of his death, see Septuagint. 19 On the date of his death, see Septuagint.

But Paul calls God "Father" over and over again

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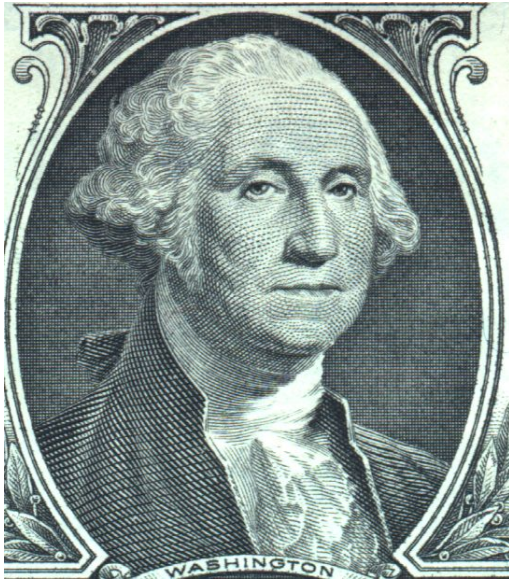


Where did all
this come
from?

“Our *Father* in heaven...”



God (Father) started a movement!



God called Abraham from Ur and promised him, “In you shall all the nations be blessed” (Ga. 3:8)

God (Father) merits special honor and respect!



The crucified and
resurrected Messiah
brings every knee to bow
“to the glory of ***God the
Father***”
(Phil. 2:5-11)

God (Father) takes extra care for those in need!



God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”
(Rom. 5:8)

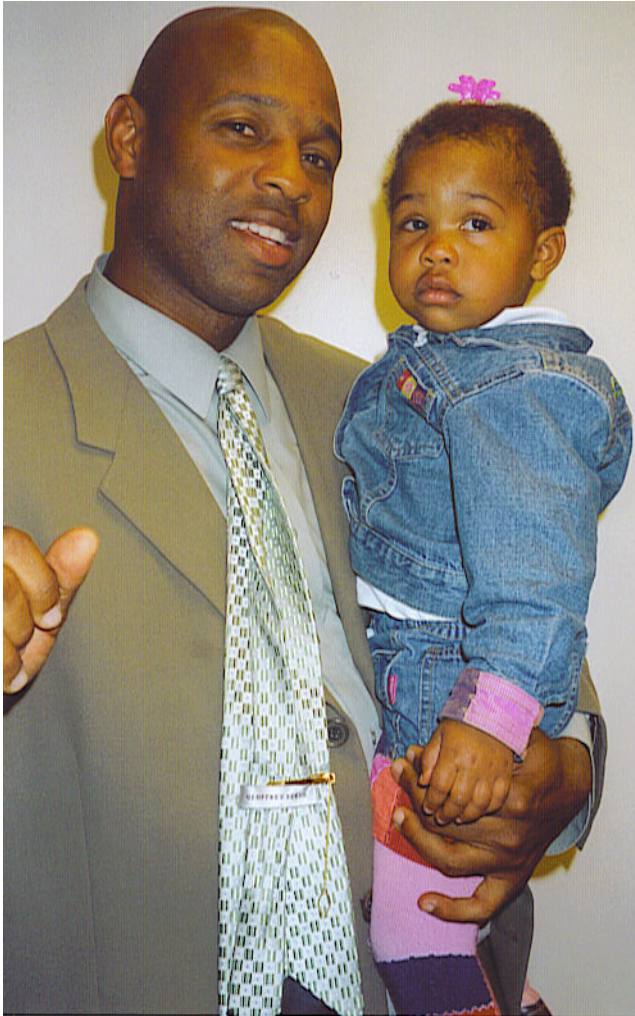
God (Father) as a parent has
unlimited authority!



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We are to honor God the Father



Give “thanks always
and for everything to
God our Father in the
name of the Lord
Jesus Christ”
(Eph. 5:20)

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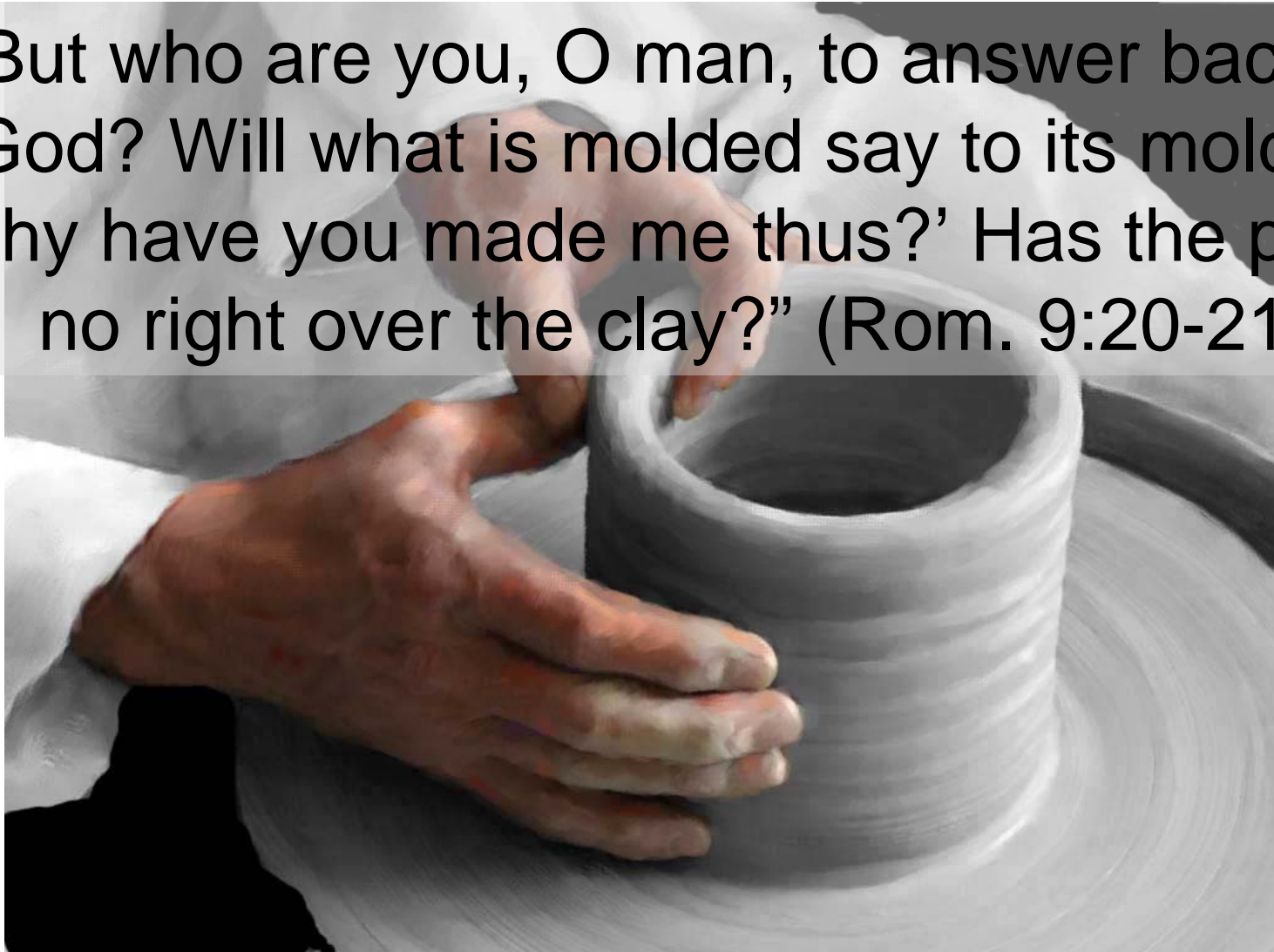
“glory forever and
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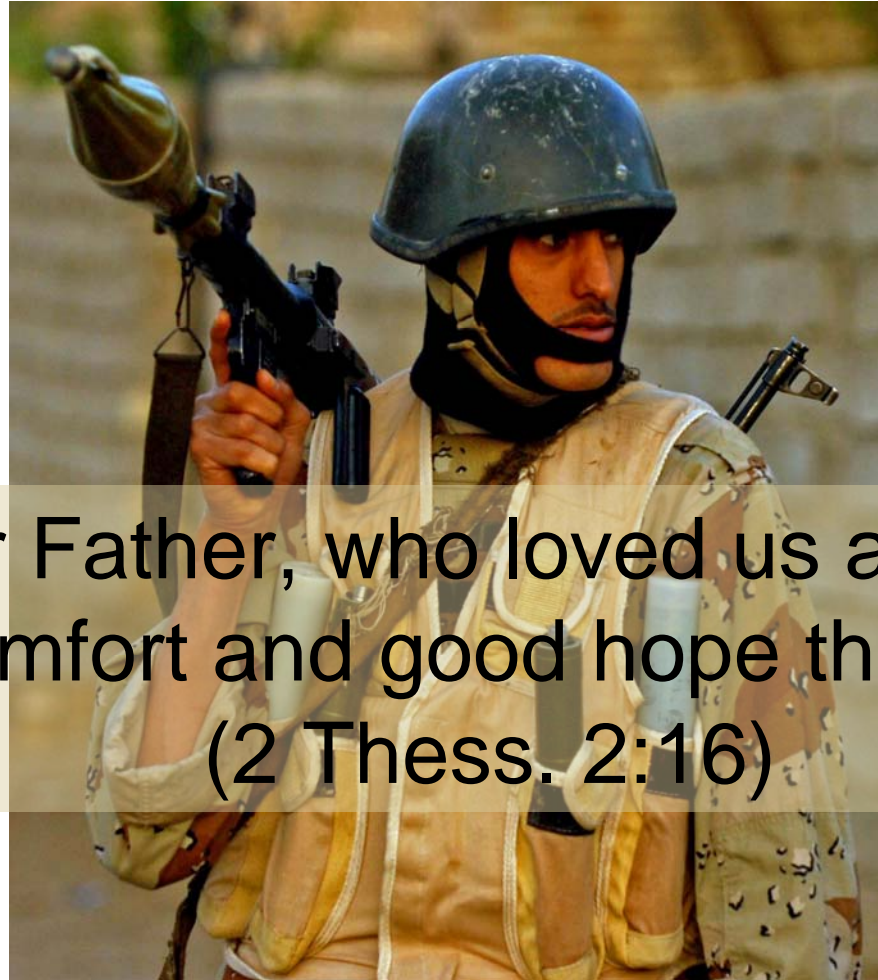
“But who are you, O man, to answer back to God? Will what is molded say to its molder, ‘Why have you made me thus?’ Has the potter no right over the clay?” (Rom. 9:20-21)



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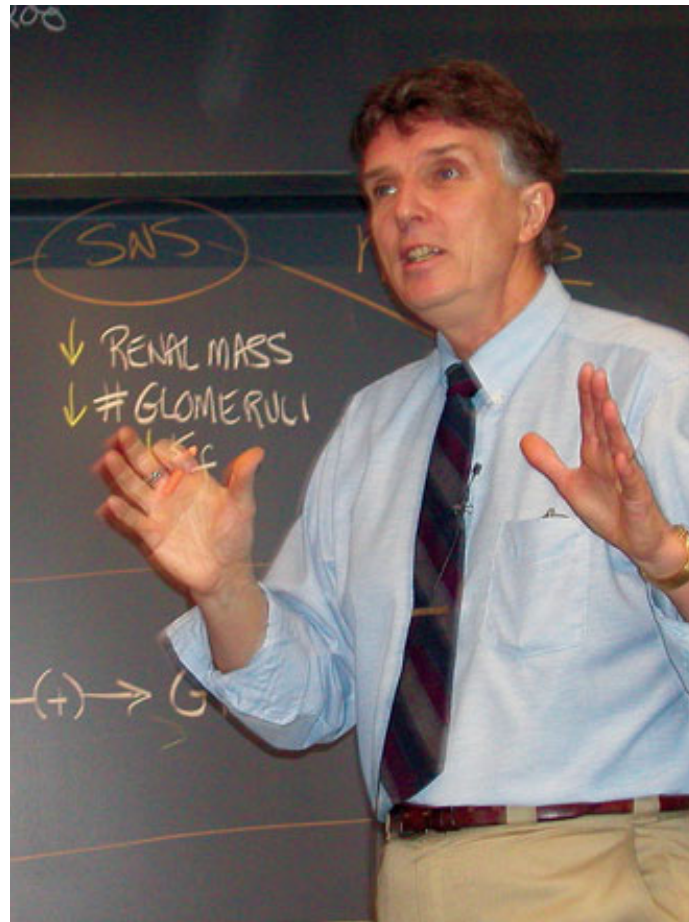


“God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace”
(2 Thess. 2:16)

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The father was responsible for teaching his children

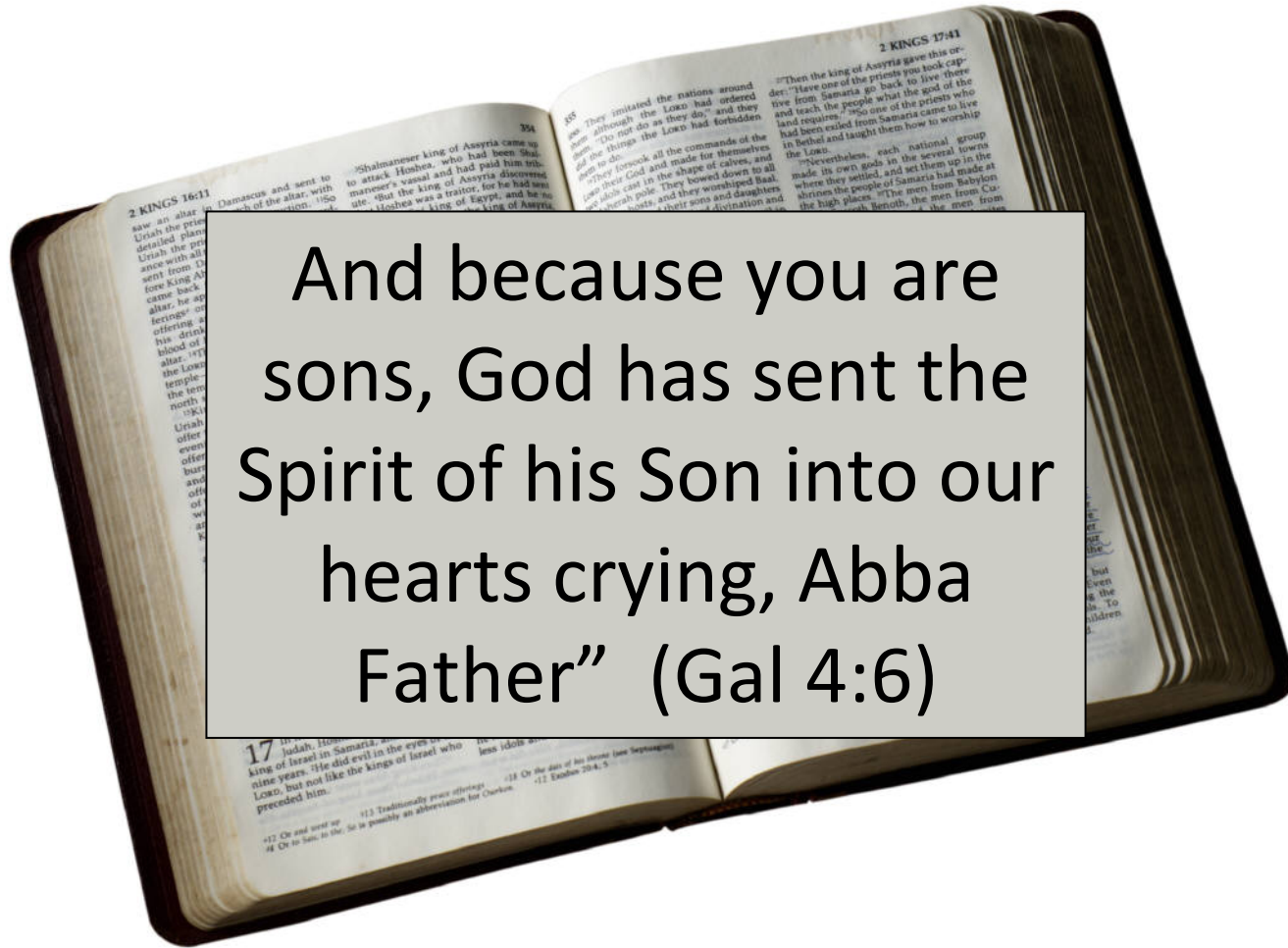


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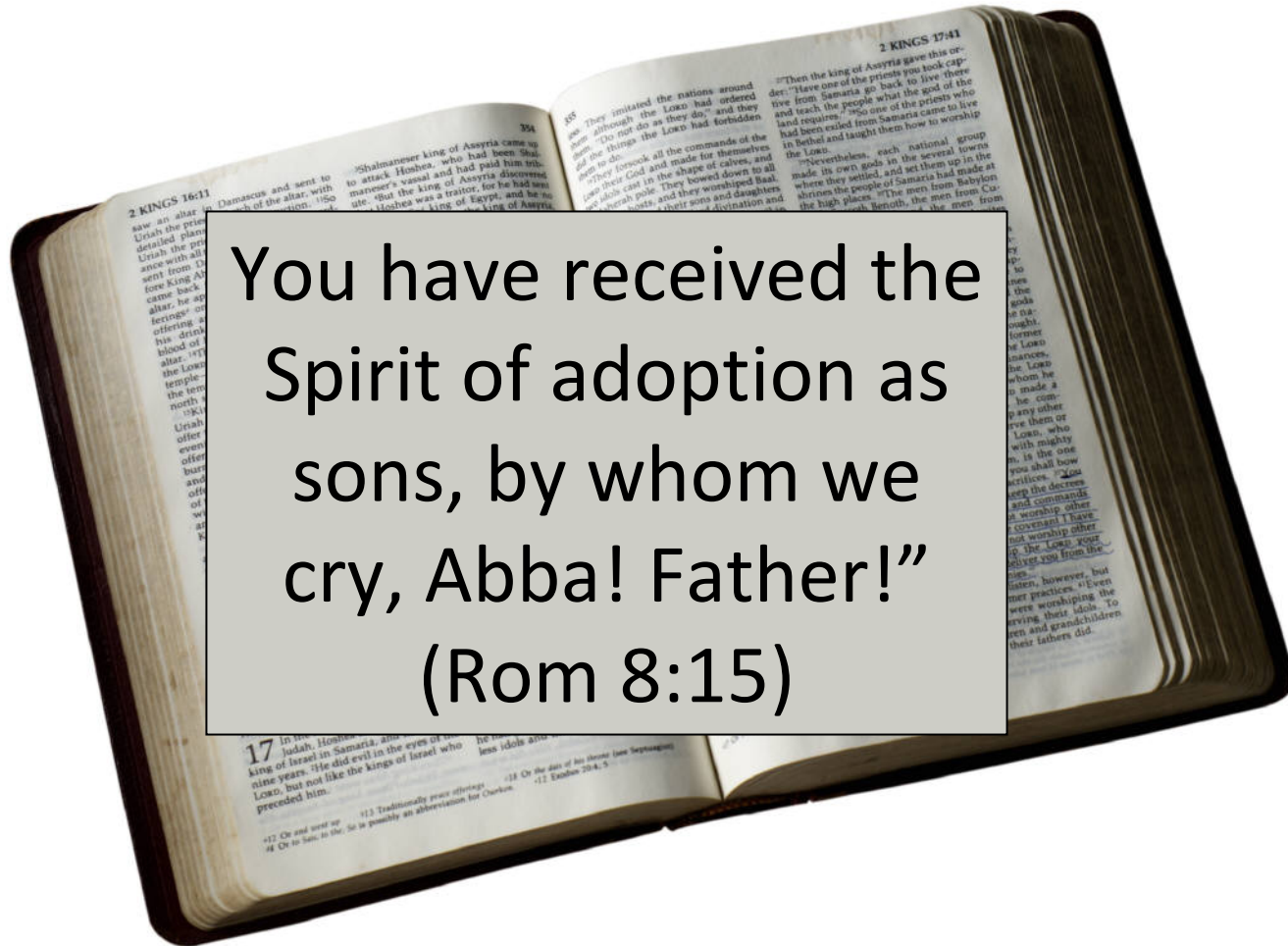
“These things God has revealed to us through the Spirit” (1 Cor. 2:10)

Consider closely the family bond

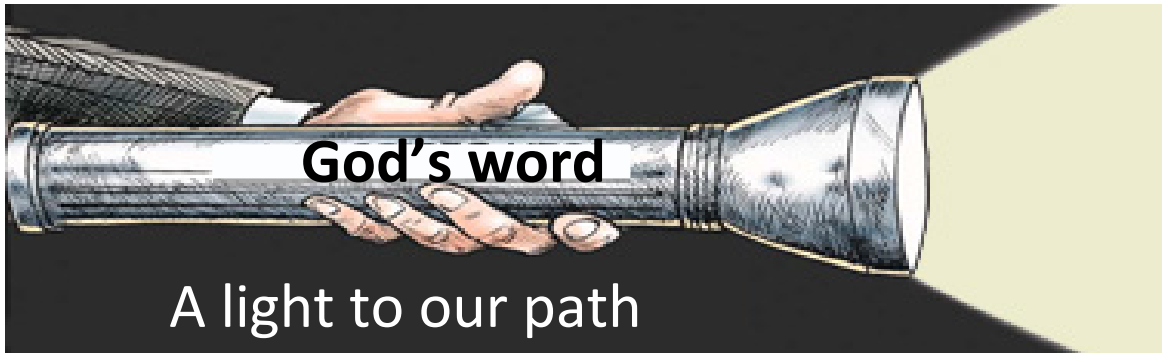


And because you are
sons, God has sent the
Spirit of his Son into our
hearts crying, Abba
Father" (Gal 4:6)

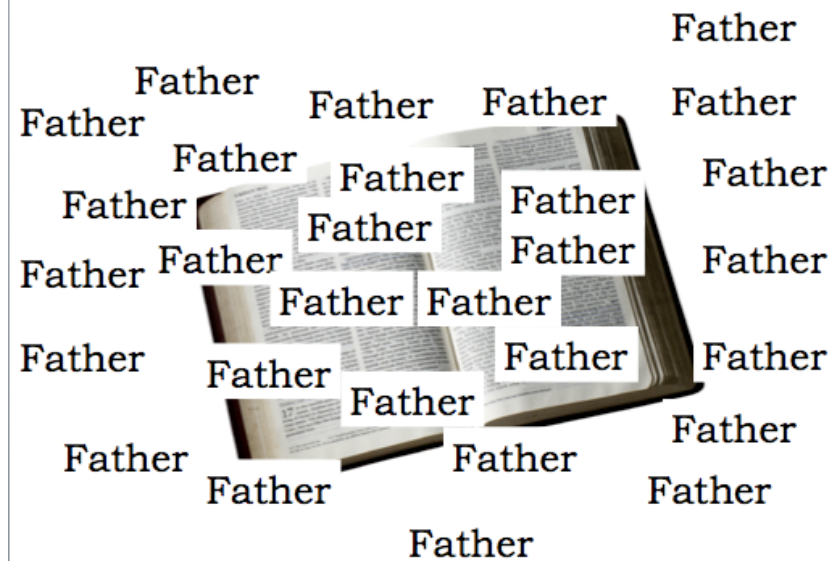
Remember Paul was a devout Jew



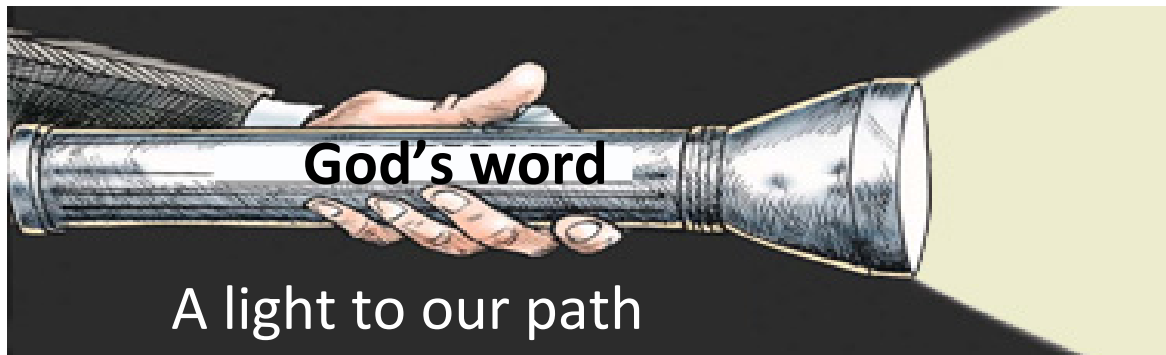
You have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, Abba! Father!"
(Rom 8:15)



Points for Home



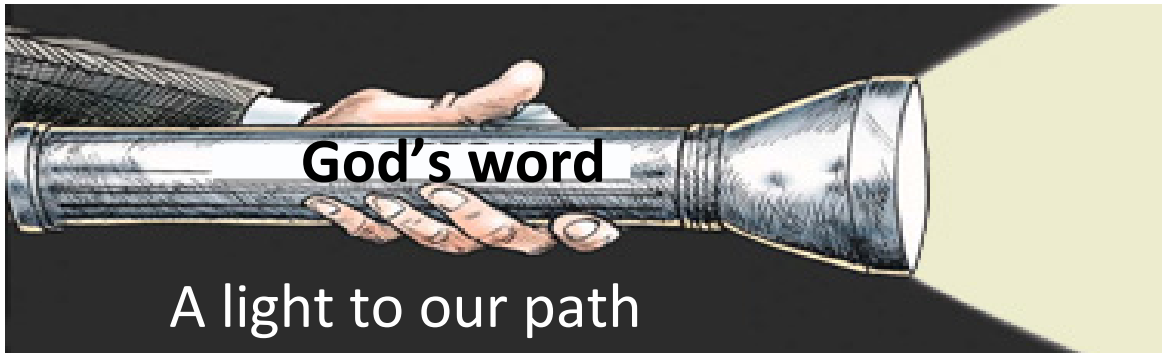
“There is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist”
(1 Cor 8:6)



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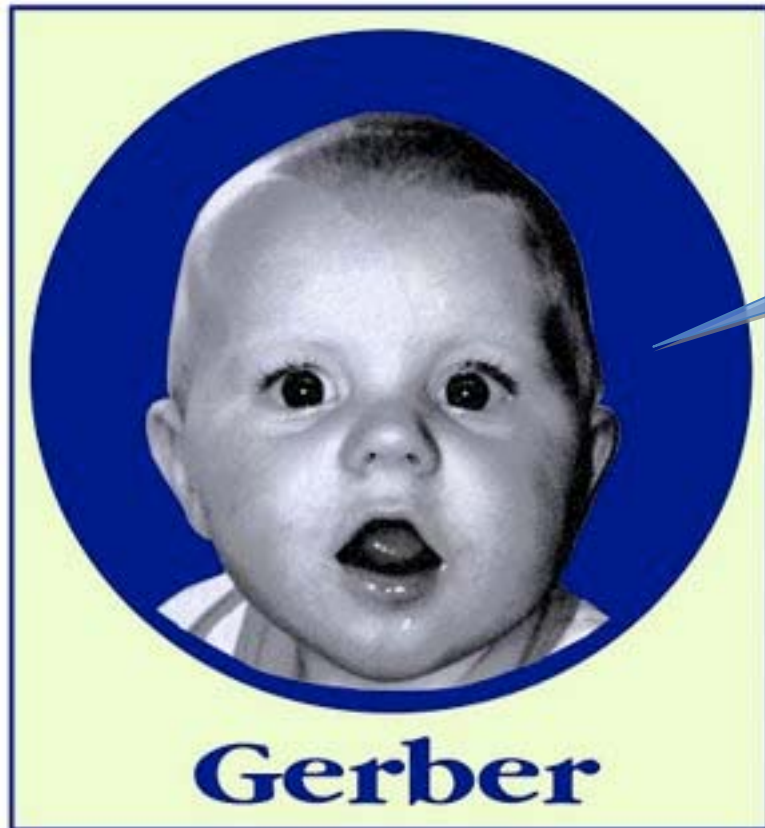


“What son is there whom his father does not discipline?”
(Heb 12:7)



A light to our path

Points for
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