



What is this TXT Fondue program about?

In this program, we want to take you on a helicopter ride through the Biblical history, through which the salvation plan of God the Father becomes visible. Around the birth of King Jesus, we see that Simeon knew he would not die until he had seen Messiah in the temple, and that Mary treasured all words in her heart, and considered them with the limited insight she had in the great plan of God the Father. Similarly, every one of us can examine for oneself: which truths are in it for me; what is my place in all this? This way, we like you to join us on a walk through time, to give you an impression of how everything is set up in good order. God the Father has a plan for mankind, and we function within it.

How is a TXT Fondue played?

Two teams take turns in asking each other questions. There usually are 12 questions for each team. The team that has question 1a begins with asking. After the question has been asked and in some cases a passage from the Scriptures has been read, the other team has one minute to discuss their answer. Then they give their final answer and the team that asked the question decides whether the answer is correct. Keep in mind that if your team demands strict answers, the other team will do the same.

Not the answer but the process

With a TXT Fondue, it's not about the answer, but all about the process. Questions will lead to new questions, which is good, but keep these thoughts until after the TXT Fondue, so that the program may continue fluently and dynamically. That is important, because a TXT Fondue is actually a sermon that is divided into chunks. It is apostles' teaching (Acts 2:42), so just like any sermon it has a structure that builds up to an application. Those who wish to go in-depth can do so afterwards.

Referee

Like the referee ensures that the rules of play are respected, the elder in a house feast supervises that all that is said remains Biblical (1 Timothy 4:16). There are just two rules: if someone says something unbiblical, the elder takes corrective action, like a referee in football issues a yellow card. In case of sin, he intervenes, comparable to a red card.

Feedback

Have you got a suggestion? Did you discover an error in a TXT Fondue program? Let us know through HuisfeestNetwerk.org! Questions regarding the contents can be discussed with the House Feast Network at facebook.com/HouseFeastNetwork.

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What is the House Feast Network?

Those who are in the house feasts intend to reach all people in their own network who have not yet been reached with the gospel.

Networking

Of course you are curious to see how other house feasts do things. You wish to pay each other visits, help each other, and in any case you celebrate a large feast together, three times a year. To facilitate this, we have set up a House Feast Network group on Facebook: facebook.com/HouseFeastNetwork. Elders can exchange their experiences at facebook.com/groups/Oudsten.

Share impressions

House feasts support one another by continually sharing photos in "The House Feast Network". House feasts unite because of this. We prefer that the ambience pictures you share do not intrude people's privacy.

What is the Learnhouse?

A collection of 84 TXT Fondue programs together form a complete training to spiritual maturity. It is composed of 7 fundaments, with 12 programs per fundaments. The program you now hold is part of the first fundament: conversion.

We recommend you to read the books of Mark and Galatians while you take the 12 lessons in this fundament.

Previous program:

1.05 Faith

This program:

1.06 Plan

Next program:

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For an overview of all programs, see the [Learnhouse](#).

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1a. In this program, we want to take you on a journey through time, in which the plan of God the Father for this world becomes clearly visible. Let's begin even before time began. In eternity, God the Father, His Son and the Holy Spirit were together in perfect harmony. Proverbs 8:22–31 says:

**The Lord made me in the beginning, long before he did anything else.
I was formed a long time ago, before the world was made.
I was born before there was an ocean, before the springs began to flow.
I was born before the mountains and hills were set into place,
before the earth and fields were made,
before the dust of this world was formed.
I was there when he set up the skies,
when he drew a circle in the ocean to make a place for the land.
I was there when he put the clouds in the sky
and made the deep springs flow.
I was there when he set the limits on the sea
to make it stop where he said.
I was there when he laid the foundations of the earth.
I grew up as a child by his side,
laughing and playing all the time.
I played in the world he made
and enjoyed the people he put there.**

Who is meant in this passage by "child"?

(answer) King Jesus.

(comment) *The Hebrew word "amon" means "someone raised (by)", "nursling" or "darling child".*

2a. Man has a tendency to walk away from God the Father. Sin on earth increased at an alarming rate, until 1000 years after He had started with Adam, until it was enough for God the Father and He had to intervene to prevent things from getting even worse. What did He do?

(answer) God the Father performed an act of rescue. This was a carefully thought out plan. He gave Noah the assignment to build a lifeboat (ark), and after the great flood start over and live according to His laws. This is how mankind got a second chance.

3a. We see how God de Vader changes His strategy in 2085 B.C., and picks a nation, who serve as an example of His faithfulness to mankind. These chosen people were set apart, received their own land and their own constitution, and God the Father Himself governs these people. Which patriarch (forefather) received the name, that would also become the name of these people?

(answer) Jacob.

(comment) *Here we speak of the people of Israel. For these people, God the Father has a special plan. We will thoroughly analyze that plan in TXT Fondue 2.11 "Jacob".*



4a. (Please read the bold text of this question aloud.)

In the desert, the people of Israel were equipped to start living as an independent people again, after 400 years of slavery in Egypt. On Mount Sinai, God the Father gave them the Law, and He promised to return them to their own land. Here, they received their own home, water well, and grapevine. Led by Joshua, the new leader, they entered into the country in 1407 BC. But first, this new generation had to be baptized, like the previous generation through the Red Sea. Someone from the team asking the question will lip read how this baptism took place.

(answer) Crossing the Jordan.



5a. (Please read the bold text of this question aloud.)

From the eyes of God the Father, things do not get better, because after the people of Israel had had several judges, they ask in 1043 BC for a king from their midst. God the Father advises against a king, because in the first place He wants to be as a King to them. The team asking the question will demonstrate using pantomime which second reason God the Father names, why they should not pick a human king. The other team will try and guess this.

(answer) Kings raise taxes, through which they place heavy burdens on the people.

6a. The people of Israel slowly drift further and further away from God the Father. Many evil kings succeed one another. One of the worst was king Ahab, who married Jezebel, a very occult priestess. In 858 BC, she instructs the people to do something that was forbidden: serving foreign gods in the temple. Where is serving foreign gods explicitly forbidden?

(answer) The Ten Commandments (the second commandment).

7a. The temple was destroyed in 586 BC, and in 535 BC the rebuilding began. This second temple did not reflect the glory of the first temple by a long shot, but those who had lived when the first temple still existed, cried of joy when the new temple was consecrated.

Nehemiah built the city wall, Zerubbabel was in charge of the reconstruction of the temple itself, and Ezra instated the temple for use. What was Ezra's profession?

(answer) Priest.



8a. The Bible has a first and a second part. The first part of the Bible is the Old Testament. The final verses in it are Maleachi 4:5–6, that prophecy about the beginning of the second part of the Bible:

See, I will send the prophet Elijah to you before that great and dreadful day of the Lord comes. He will turn the hearts of the parents to their children, and the hearts of the children to their parents; or else I will come and strike the land with total destruction.

After this prophecy, there was a period of 400 years in which God the Father did not speak to mankind. At the beginning of the New Testament, someone came who was sent as Elijah. Who was this?

(answer) John the Baptist.

(comment) *In Matthew 11:13–14, King Jesus says: "For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John. And if you are willing to accept it, he is the Elijah who was to come."*



9a. When King Jesus was 30 years old, He began to put His plan of salvation to practice. Which act of the following acts did He *not* do? Choose from:

- 1. Turn water into wine.**
- 2. Heal the blind and deaf.**
- 3. Walk on water.**
- 4. Cleanse the temple court of hypocrites.**
- 5. Multiplied bread and fish for thousands of people.**
- 6. Raise three people from the dead.**
- 7. Curse an olive tree.**
- 8. Set possessed people free.**
- 9. Wash the feet of His disciples.**
- 10. Die on the cross for our sins.**
- 11. Stand up from the dead.**
- 12. Promise the Holy Spirit.**

(answer) The correct answer is: "7. Curse an olive tree."

(comment) *He did curse a fig tree.*

10a. A new era begins for us. Guided by the Holy Spirit, house feasts start all over the world. These are daily Sabbath celebrations by believing families, according to the Old and the New Testament. In these families, the number of believers grew at an explosive rate, for an important part because they were being heavily oppressed because of their faith. A proverb says, "The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church."

In Matthew 18:20, King Jesus says about the church: "For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." Which three characteristics of a church does He name in this Bible verse?

(answer) The other team must name all three of these points:

- 1. It is composed of at least two or three persons.**
- 2. They gather in the Name of King Jesus.**
- 3. King Jesus is with them (in their midst).**

(comment) *Hebrews 4:7–9 explains, that we must enter into our Sabbath rest every day: "God again set a certain day, calling it 'Today.' This he did when a long time later he spoke through David, as in the passage already quoted: 'Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts.' For if Joshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken later about another day. There remains, then, a Sabbath-rest for the people of God."*



11a. During His ministry, King Jesus was exposed to temptations, and today His followers experience that as well. One of the most dangerous temptations comes from the inside. A real wolf in sheep's clothes was emperor Constantine the Great, who since 312 AD mixed the faith of the "people of the Way" with pagan idolatry. The hardest thing in our time is to discover the pure teaching among all temptations and all seductive sweet talk. Even the mixings (swap tricks) by emperor Constantine the Great are still noticeable today. Name an example that reflects these mixings.

(answer) There are many possible answers, but the five most severe swap tricks are:

- The Biblical feasts were traded in for the pagan feasts. For example, the Feast of Tabernacles was replaced by Yule (Christmas), and Pesach became a fertility feast.
- The Sabbath as holy day, with a celebration in the evening, became the Sunday (the day of the sun god) with the Sunday morning service.
- The Biblical role of priest, a role that every believer in the New Testament has, was taken away and replaced by professional clergymen.
- The Menorah (seven-branched lampstand; the Light of the world) was traded in for the occult sign of a cross.
- The simple house feasts became church buildings and cathedrals.

12a. The Second World War came over mankind like a judgment. World mission was nearly impossible, and the Jewish people were terribly persecuted. From these ruins, one of the greatest wonders in the world's history arose: since 1948, the people of Israel are returning to the promised land. This is also known as the "aliyah". This miracle is even greater than the exodus from Egypt. It involve more people than back then, and the Jews return to their land from all countries, after they have been spread out across the earth for 1,900 years and were oppressed and persecuted at a large scale. What does God the Father prove with this?

(answer) If you want to know how God the Father stays true to His Word (the Bible) under all circumstances, then just look at the people of Israel. He is forever faithful.



1b. When the earth was formless and empty (with dinosaurs and ice ages), God the Creator made a beautiful cohesive earth. How long ago did He do this?

(answer) About 6,000 years ago.

(comment) *The Jewish calendar counts from the day that Adam was created, on the sixth day of Creation. They are approaching the year 5800.*

2b. Some 900 years later, around 2100 BC, one of the most evil rulers in history enters the stage. He built the Tower of Babel. This king, Nimrod, laid the foundations for the occultism to this day. The roots of evil still continue to fester. Would it not be time for a second great flood? Please explain.

(answer) No, God the Father had promised to Noah that He would not send a second great flood.

3b. The people multiply rapidly. When 600 years later they are in Egypt and end up as slaves for the pharaoh, they call out to God the Father, their King, to free them from this. Moses receives the commission from God the Father to lead his people out of Egypt, through the Red Sea, into the desert. How long did the people of Israel live in the desert?

(answer) 40 years.



4b. (Please read the bold text of this question aloud.)

The people of Israel are back in the promised land. They have the Law, but everyone continued to do what was right in their own eyes. Starting in 1374 BC, God the Father frequently sends judges to the people, to show them the right way. The team asking the questions will demonstrate the life of one of these judges using pantomime. The other team will try and guess what the name of this person was.

(answer) Samson.

5b. There was one king who despite all, was the favorite of God the Father. His name was King David. This king really wanted to build a temple for God the Father. He did not get permission to do this himself, but he did receive the promise that his son Solomon was allowed to do it. In 966 BC, the construction of the temple was completed. Why could it only be built in Jerusalem?

(answer) God the Father had chosen this place.

(comment) *Deuteronomy 12:4-5,13-14 says:*

You must not worship the Lord your God in their way. But you are to seek the place the Lord your God will choose from among all your tribes to put his Name there for his dwelling. To that place you must go. (...) Be careful not to sacrifice your burnt offerings anywhere you please. Offer them only at the place the Lord will choose in one of your tribes, and there observe everything I command you.



6b. The most important prophet in the Old Testament took up the battle against Jezebel. On Mount Carmel, he demonstrated the power of God the Father. After that, the priests of Moloch and Saturn (the descendants of Nimrod; question 2b) were executed. What was the name of this prophet?

(answer) Elijah.

7b. In 478 BC, Esther became queen at the court of king Xerxes. In those days there was also a Jew hater, Haman, who tried to destroy the entire Jewish people. This hatred against Jews rears its ugly head time after time throughout history. We already see this in the Old Testament, and also since then. Name two examples from hatred against Jews in the past century.

(answer) There are several possible answers. (We list them for educational purposes.)

- 200 The church father Origen Adamantius formulates the replacement theology: "Christians are the blessed, chosen people in place of the Jews."
- 325 The Council of Nicaea rejects Pesach and replaces this Biblical feast by Easter, because they didn't want to have anything to do with "this terrible nation" anymore.
- 415 The imperial Roman law forbids the construction of new synagogues.
- 1095 During the Crusades, Christians are responsible for mass killings among Jews.
- 1140 Monks in Norwich accuse a Jewish man of having killed a Christian child and processed the blood in matzos. The consequence is many pogroms (violent mob attacks against Jews) all over Europe for several decades.
- 1231 Pope Gregory IX establishes the inquisition, against heretics and over 50,000 Jews.
- 1348 The Jews are considered the cause of the Black Death (bubonic plague), causing countless Jews to be murdered all over Europe through pogroms.
- 1546 Martin Luther publishes his book "On the Jews and their Lies", in which he calls upon the reader to perform antisemitic acts.
- 17th century Jews may not be a member of professional guilds throughout Europe, so they seek refuge in occupations such as retail, diamond polishing, financial services, and trade in or rental of property. This later leads to the prejudice that Jews would be greedy and money-hungry.
- 1821 Until the 20th century, dozens of pogroms take place in the Russian empire.
- 1922 Adolf Hitler announces that when he comes to power, he will exterminate the Jews.
- 1938 During the most well-known pogrom, the Kristallnacht in Germany, 267 synagogues are destroyed, 92 Jews are killed, and subsequently 30,000 Jews are deported to concentration camps. It was the beginning of the holocaust.
- 1945 The holocaust is over. Six million Jews, 1,5 million of whom are children, have been murdered during the Second World War.
- 1948 Since the state of Israel was declared, there is a continuous struggle over the land and the right for Jews to exist.
- 2006 The Arabic world designates the publication of a controversial cartoon in a Danish newspaper as a "Zionistic conspiracy". In response, the Ministry of Education of Iran launches the 'International Holocaust Cartoon Competition'.
- now Children's programs on Arabic TV-channels encourage children, among others through joyful songs, to destroy the Jews or drive them into the sea.



8b. (Please read the bold text of this question aloud.)

In 5 BC, King Jesus was born during the Feast of Tabernacles. He was the Immanuel, which means: "God is with us". Someone from the team asking the question will lip read what his real Hebrew name was. The other team will try and guess this.

(answer) Yeshua.

(comment) His complete name is: Yehoshua.



9b. King Jesus died on the cross, and rose from the dead. Acts 11:26 explains that those who believed in King Jesus and dedicated their lives to Him, were named "christians" by the heathens in Antioch, but Acts 9:2 says that they called themselves "people of the Way". What Bible verse does the latter refer to?

(answer) "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

(comment) This verse is in John 14:6. It also has to do with how the believers are often under way to spread the good news of King Jesus.

10b. The final author in the Bible is John. He writes the Book of Revelation in 95 AD. In this book, he prophetically makes very clear what is yet to come, so that everyone has to be vigilant. King Jesus says that in the end times, the lawlessness will increase, causing the love of many to grow cold. What is meant by lawlessness?

(answer) By the Law, King Jesus means: the rules and laws of God the Father in the Bible. Lawlessness is when someone does not follow the Law because of contempt. The Bible also calls it "iniquity".

11b. During the Dark Ages, there suddenly was a bright light, when in 1517 AD, Martin Luther began the "Reformation". He published a list of 95 theses and pointed out, that you are not saved through donations to the church, but by mercy and faith. He brought to light again, that every believer is a priest. By translating the Bible from Latin into German, he started the translation of the Bible into all languages in the world.

Today, five hundred years later, the Holy Spirit has trusted the believers around the world with the other part of the Reformation, namely: the believers get the house churches back in their original form. With what purpose does He do this?

(answer) Your home is the place where you can be built up spiritually, and from where you can reach your world.

12b. The Bible says that in the future, hard times will fall upon the Jewish people and the followers of King Jesus. But God the Father is faithful. In Revelation 3:10-12a, King Jesus says what our attitude should be:

Since you have kept my command to endure patiently, I will also keep you from the hour of trial that is going to come on the whole world to test the inhabitants of the earth. I am coming soon.

Hold on to what you have, so that no one will take your crown. The one who is victorious I will make a pillar in the temple of my God. Never again will they leave it.

What should our attitude be?

(answer) Hold on to what you have: your faith and the Word.

(comment) Hold on to the treasures from the Word of God the Father until King Jesus returns.