



**What is this TXT Fondue program about?**

In this program, we will consider the first letter of John, in which a division is made between children, young men (youth, sons and daughters) and fathers. We focus on the phase of the sons and daughters, also known as the phase of discipleship. King Jesus trained His disciples and sent them out to declare His wonders. John literally writes that the youth are strong, that the Word of God lives in them, and that they have overcome the evil one.

**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 [HuisfeestNetwork.org](http://HuisfeestNetwork.org)! Questions regarding the contents can be discussed with the House Feast Network at [facebook.com/HouseFeastNetwork](http://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](http://facebook.com/HouseFeastNetwork). Elders can exchange their experiences at [facebook.com/groups/Oudsten](http://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 fourth fundament: evangelization and deaconry.

We recommend you to read the book of Luke while you take the 12 lessons in this fundament.

**Previous program:**

4.01 Discipleship

**This program:**

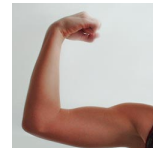
4.02 Sons and daughters

**Next program:**

4.03 Sermon on the Mount

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

	1. Conversion	2. Baptism	3. Holy Spirit	4. Evangelization and deaconry	5. Sanctification	6. Future	7. Houses
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**1a. 1 John 2:12–14 says:**

**I am writing to you, dear children, because your sins have been forgiven on account of his name.**

**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, dear children, because you know the Father.**

**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 lives in you, and you have overcome the evil one.**

**Some Bible translations speak of “young people” instead. It addresses youth. Name the three things this Bible passage says about them.**

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

1. Young people are strong;
2. The Word of God the Father lives in them;
3. They have overcome the evil one.



**2a. (Please read the bold text of this question aloud.)**

**The team asking the question will act out a story from the Bible about a young man using pantomime. The other team will try and guess which young man, and what this story says about him.**

(answer) David was strong in comparison with Goliath, killing and decapitating him.

(comment) *This event is described in 1 Samuel 17:48–52:*

*As the Philistine moved closer to attack him, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet him. Reaching into his bag and taking out a stone, he slung it and struck the Philistine on the forehead. The stone sank into his forehead, and he fell facedown on the ground.*

*So David triumphed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone; without a sword in his hand he struck down the Philistine and killed him. David ran and stood over him. He took hold of the Philistine’s sword and drew it from the sheath. After he killed him, he cut off his head with the sword.*

*When the Philistines saw that their hero was dead, they turned and ran.*

**3a. In Jeremiah 1:5–10 is a prophecy about the life of Jeremiah:**

**“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you,  
before you were born I set you apart;**

**I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.”**

**“Alas, Sovereign LORD,” I said, “I do not know how to speak; I am too young.”**

**But the LORD said to me,**

**“Do not say, ‘I am too young.’**

**You must go to everyone I send you to  
and say whatever I command you.**

**Do not be afraid of them,  
for I am with you and will rescue you,”  
declares the LORD.**

**Then the LORD reached out his hand and touched my mouth and said to me,**

**“I have put my words in your mouth.**

**See, today I appoint you over nations and kingdoms  
to uproot and tear down,  
to destroy and overthrow,  
to build and to plant.”**

**When did this prophecy begin?**

(answer) Even before Jeremiah was formed in the womb.



**4a. In 2 Corinthians 12:10, the apostle Paul writes: "That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. For when I am weak, then I am strong." Why are you strong?**

(answer) Because you are weak.

**5a – 8a. This question can earn you 4 points in total!**

**At the beginning of this program, we read in 1 John 2:12–14 that young people have the Word living in them. Throughout the Bible, we see all kinds of examples of the constructive power of words.**

**Name such a Biblical example in less than a minute. Then the other team may name an example. The teams take turns in doing this, four times in total.**

(answer) The other team decides whether the answer is correct.

**9a. Regardless of whether you are weak or strong, wherever you can declare the mighty wonders of God the Father, you can also overcome evil with the power of King Jesus. We can overcome the evil one; the devil. Why is the devil angry at God the Father?**

(answer) He was punished for wanting to be the highest, and he did not receive this honor.

**10a. What authority has the devil got over the Earth and over us?**

(answer) He is the ruler of the world and wants to enslave everyone.

(comment) King Jesus says in John 12:31: "Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out." And in 2 Peter 2:19, we learn that by sinning we can still become slaves of evil: "They promise them freedom, while they themselves are slaves of depravity—for 'people are slaves to whatever has mastered them.'"



**11a. (Please read the bold text of this question aloud.)**

**Someone from the team asking the question will explain without naming the word itself, through what we are saved according to the Bible, in other words what this "redemption" is about. The other team will try to guess this "forbidden word".**

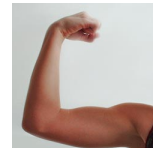
(answer) Mercy.

(comment) Mercy means undeserved favor. Ephesians 2:8–9 says: "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast."

**12a. Do the disciples of King Jesus come across as strong or weak to you, and did they achieve results?**

(answer) In our eyes they are weak, but people were converted, they healed the sick, and cast out evil spirits.

(comment) For example, Mark 6:12–13 says: "They went out and preached that people should repent. They drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them."



**1b. Answer this question without looking at the Bible passage that has just been read. What does 1 John say about fathers/parents?**

(answer) They know Him who is from the beginning.



**2b. (Please read the bold text of this question aloud.)**

**The team asking the question will act out an event in the Bible using pantomime, in which a young person also played important role. The other team will try and guess which event is acted out here.**

(answer) King Jesus feeds the five thousand (or: five loaves and two fish).

(comment) *This event is described in John 6:5–11:*

*When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?" He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do.*

*Philip answered him, "It would take more than half a year's wages to buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!"*

*Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up, "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?"*

*Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." There was plenty of grass in that place, and they sat down (about five thousand men were there). Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish.*



**3b. (Please read the bold text of this question aloud.)**

**Already at a very young age, Jeremiah was called by God the Father to serve Him as a prophet. Someone from the team asking the question will lip read what task Jeremiah among others had. The other team will try and guess this word.**

(answer) To build.

(comment) *It says so in Jeremiah 1:10 (see question 3a).*

**4b. Which four moments of weakness—thus of strength and power—are mentioned in this passage?**

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

1. Insults / reproaches;
2. Hardships / necessities;
3. Persecutions;
4. Difficulties / distresses / sufferings.

**5b – 8b. This question can earn you 4 points in total!**

**The other team just provided a Biblical example of the constructive power of words. Now it is your turn. After that, the other team gets another turn, until each time has had four turns.**

(answer) The other team decides whether the answer is correct.



**9b. When does the devil get angry at us?**

(answer) When we give praise to our heavenly Father.

**10b. How can we set other people free from their slavery?**

(answer) By pointing out the possibility to them they can be bought free because of the blood of the crucified Christ.

(comment) *This will be explained in the Bible passage of question 11b.*

**11b. In Mark 6:7–13, King Jesus sends out the twelve disciples, and tells them what they will have to do without during their travels:**

**Then Jesus went around teaching from village to village. Calling the Twelve to him, he began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over impure spirits. These were his instructions: "Take nothing for the journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in your belts. Wear sandals but not an extra shirt.**

**Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town. And if any place will not welcome you or listen to you, leave that place and shake the dust off your feet as a testimony against them."**

**They went out and preached that people should repent. They drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them.**

**Which five "weaknesses" are mentioned in this Bible passage. In other words, what *didn't* the disciples have?**

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

1. No bread;
2. No bag;
3. No money;
4. No extra set of clothes;
5. No place to stay, unless it was offered to them.

**12b. You are strong, the Word of God the Father lives in you, and you have overcome the evil one. Now, despite of your weaknesses, do you have the boldness to be strong and courageous in doing what Mark 6:12–13 says, namely to preach that people should repent, to drive out many demons, and to anoint many sick with oil and heal them?**

(answer) Yes / No / I'm scared!