

1 JOHN



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the book of Ist John

Introduction —

Here the text of 1st John has been visually arranged into bite-sized chunks of information. These colorful blocks provide you with a starting point for memorizing the book of 1st John.

Memorizing is an effective means for internalizing God's truth so that it transforms every part of your life.

So you must be sure to keep the message burning in your hearts; that is, the message of life you heard from the beginning. If you do, you will always be living in close fellowship with the Son and with the Father."

1 John 2:24 (The Passion Translation)

Color Key						
atoning sacrifice eternal life light pure righteous Word of life						
	belong fellowship remain					
	love					
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	world					
	command obey					
	anointing Spirit teach truth/true					
	testify					
	anti christ darkness fear lie/liar murder					

Memorizing strategies

Logical	Understand the message. Answer the Who, What, Where, When, Why and How for each verse.
Aural	Listen to the verses. Record your voice or download an app.
Verbal	Read the verses out loud. Practice reading using only the first letter of each word. Create lists with key words and phrases.
Visual	Draw pictures of the words and concepts. Drawing is one of the most effective ways to help us remember information.
Physical	Walk while you are reciting. Act out the words and phrases. Write out the verses by hand. There is a direct connection between physically writing the words and our brains. Writing just the first letter of each word makes it easy to keep re-writing the passages. Repetition is a key to memorizing.
Worship	When God had revealed Himself to Moses "Moses bowed to the ground at once and worshiped." Exodus 34:8. So, we too need to bow down and worship God who has revealed Himself so fully to us in His Holy Word.
Prayer	1 st John is a testimony about God. It reveals how to live in relationship with God and with each other. Pray 1st John over your family, friends, church community, co-workers, and people that you interact with. Pray this book often. As you continue to pray through 1 st John you will keep it in your memory and God's word will remain strong in you.

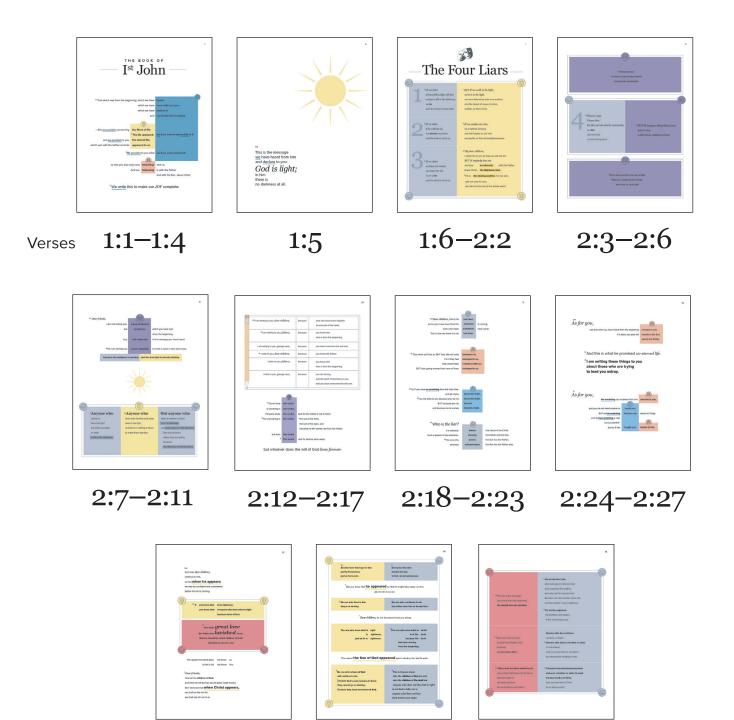
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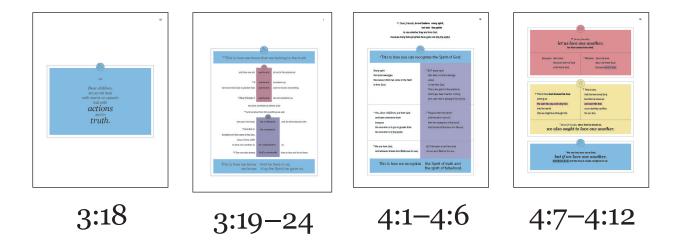
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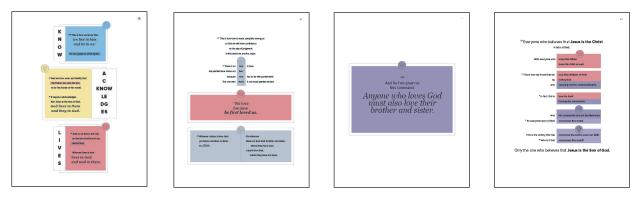


2:28-3:2

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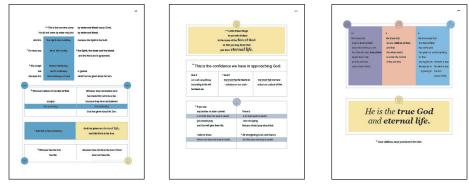




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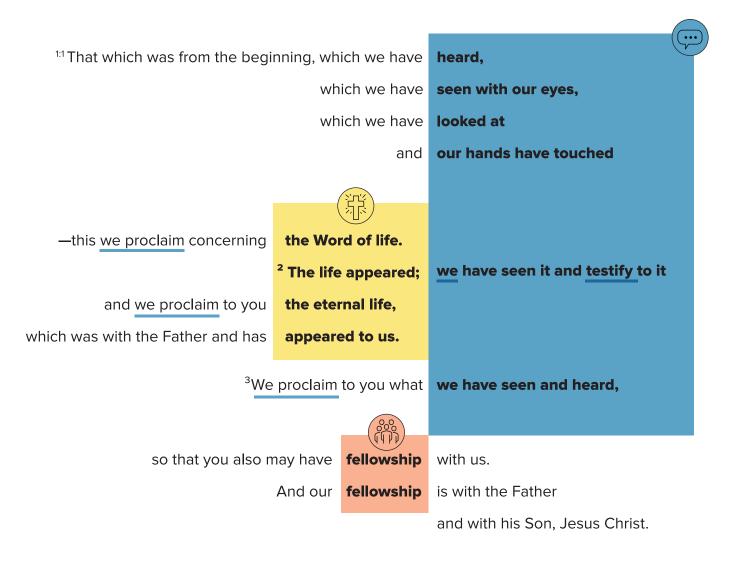
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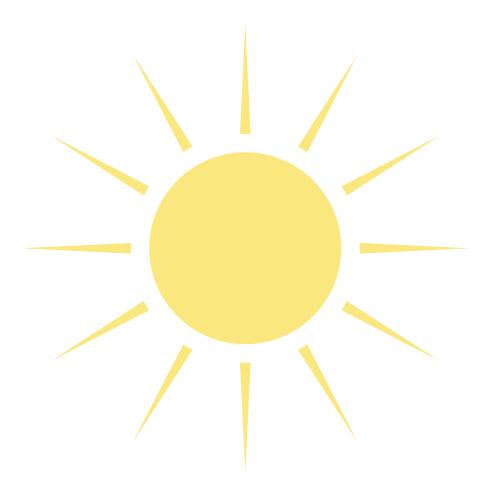


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THE BOOK OF Ist John



^{4} We write this to make our JOY complete.



1:5

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you:

God is light;

in him there is no darkness at all.



The Four Liars

^{1:6} IF we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we **lie** and do not live out 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,
 purifies us from all sin.

⁸ IF we claim to be without 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 us our sins
 and purify us from all unrighteousness.

¹⁰ IF we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a **liar** and his word is not in us. ^{2:1} My dear children,
I write this to you so that you will not sin.
BUT IF anybody does sin
we have an advocate with the Father
Jesus Christ, the Righteous One.
² He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins,
and not only for ours
but also for the sins of the whole world.



^{2:3} We know that we have come to know him if we keep his commands.

⁴ Whoever says,
"I know him,"
but does not do what he commands,
is a liar
and the truth
is not in that person.

⁵ BUT IF anyone obeys his word, love for God

is truly made complete in them.

This is how we know we are in him: ⁶ Whoever claims to live in him

must live as Jesus did.







00	^{2:12} I am writing to you, <i>dear children</i> ,	because	your sins have been forgiven
			on account of his name.
	¹³ I am writing to you, <i>fathers</i> ,	because	you know him
			who is from the beginning.
	I am writing to you, <i>young men,</i>	because	you have overcome the evil one.
	¹⁴ I write to you, <i>dear children</i> ,	because	you know the Father.
	I write to you, <i>fathers</i> ,	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,
\mathbb{V}			and you have overcome the evil one.

¹⁵ Do not love	the world	
or anything in	the world.	
If anyone loves	the world,	love for the Father is not in them.
¹⁶ For everything in	the world	-the lust of the flesh,
		the lust of the eyes, and
		the pride of life—comes not from the Father
but from	the world.	
17	The world	and its desires pass away,

but whoever does the will of God *lives forever*.

^{2:18} *Dear children,* this is the and as you have heard that the even now many This is how we know it is the

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last hour;	
antichrist	is coming,
antichrists	have come.
last hour.	

¹⁹ They went out from us, BUT they did not really For if they had they would have BUT their going showed that none of them

belong to us. belonged to us, remained with us; belonged to us.

²⁰ BUT you have **an anointing** from the Holy One, and all of you
²¹I do not write to you because you do not BUT because you do and because no lie comes



²² Who is *the liar*?

It is whoever Such a person is the antichrist– ²³ No one who whoever



denies denying denies acknowledges that Jesus is the Christ. the Father and the Son. the Son has the Father; the Son has the Father also.

As for you,

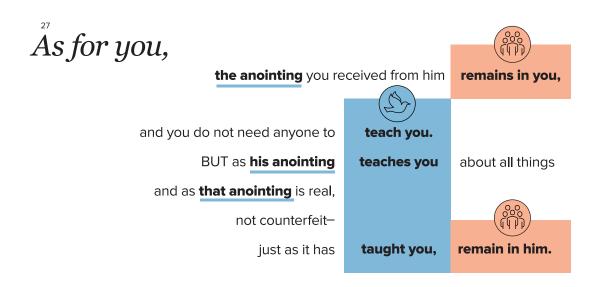
see that what you have heard from the beginning

If it does, you also will

remains in you. remain in the Son and in the Father.

²⁵And this is what he promised us-*eternal life*.

²⁶I am writing these things to you about those who are trying to lead you astray.



2:28

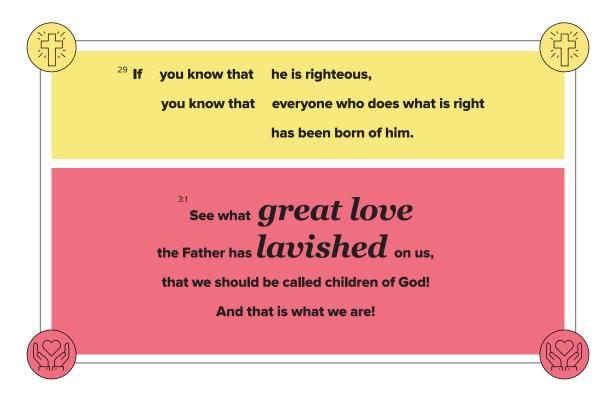
And now, dear children,

continue in him,

so that when he appears

we may be confident and unashamed

before him at his coming.



The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

² Dear friends,

now we are children of God,

and what we will be has not yet been made known.

BUT we know that **when Christ appears,** we shall be like him for we shall see him as he is.

purif	who have this hope in h Ty themselves, as he is pure.	iim	4 Everyone who sins breaks the law; in fact, sin is lawlessness.			
ţ	⁵ But you know that he appeared so that he might take away our sins. And in him is no sin.					
⁶ No one who lives in him keeps on sinning.			No one who continues to sin has either seen him or known him.			
	⁷ Dear children, do not let anyone lead you astray.					
The	one who does what is is just as he is	right righteous, righteous.	⁸ The one who does what is is of the because the has been sinning from the beginning.	devil,		
The	reason the Son o	of God app	Deared was to destroy the devi	's work.		

⁹No one who is born of God will continue to sin, because God's seed remains in them; they cannot go on sinning, because they have been born of God. ¹⁰This is how we know who the children of God are and who the children of the devil are: Anyone who does not do what is right is not God's child, nor is anyone who does not love their brother and sister. ^{3:11}For this is the message you heard from the beginning: **We should love one another.**

¹⁴We know that we have passed from death to life, because

we love each other.

¹² Do not be like Cain,
who belonged to the evil one
and murdered his brother.
And why did he murder him?
Because his own actions were evil
and his brother's were righteous.

¹³ Do not be surprised, my brothers and sisters, if the world hates you.

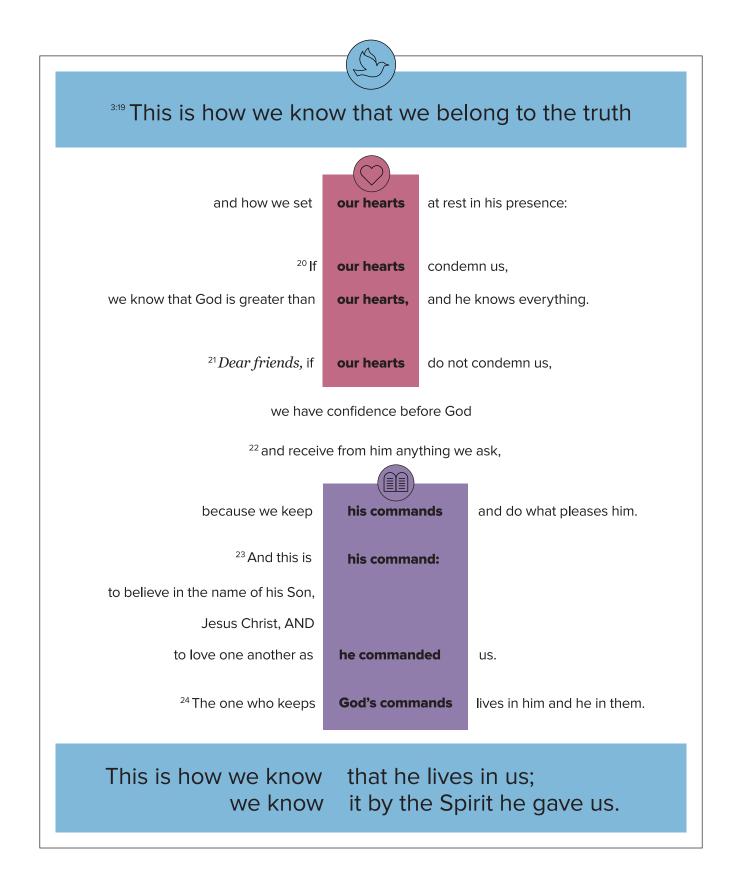
Anyone who does not love remains in death.

¹⁵ Anyone who hates a brother or sister is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life residing in him.

¹⁶ This is how we know what love is:
 Jesus Christ laid down his life for us.
 And we ought to
 lay down our lives
 for our brothers and sisters.

 ¹⁷ If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person? 3:18

Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with **actions** and in **truth.**



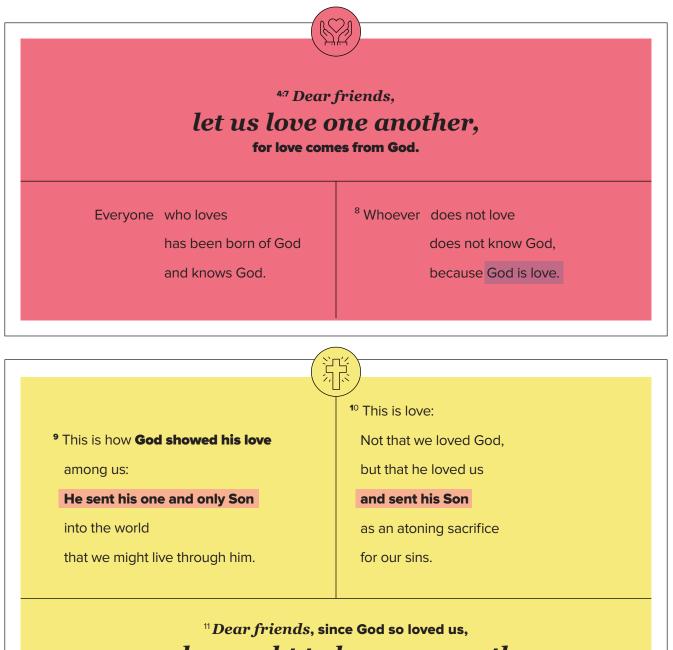
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but test the spirits

to see whether they are from God,

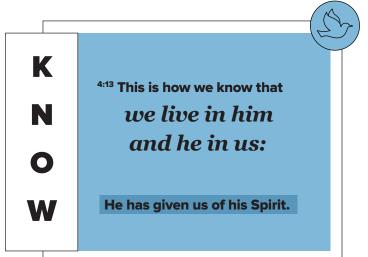
because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

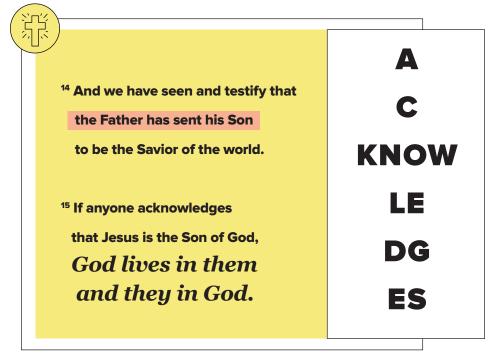
² This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God:				
Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God,	 ³ BUT every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming and even now is already in the world. 			
⁴ You, <i>dear children</i> , are from God and have overcome them because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is <u>in the world</u> .	⁵ They are <u>from the world</u> and therefore speak from the viewpoint <u>of the world</u> and <u>the world</u> listens to them.			
⁶ We are from God, and whoever knows God listens to us;	BUT whoever is not from God does not listen to us.			
This is how we recognize the Spirit of truth and the spirit of falsehoo				

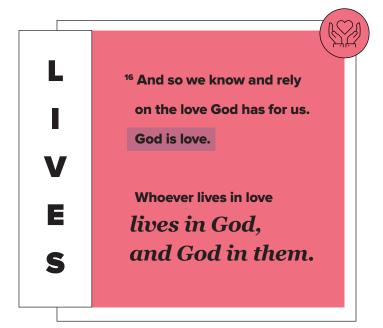


we also ought to love one another.









^{4:17} This is how love is made complete among us

so that we will have confidence

on the day of judgment:

in this world we are like Jesus.





"We love because **he first loved us.**

²⁰ Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a *liar*.

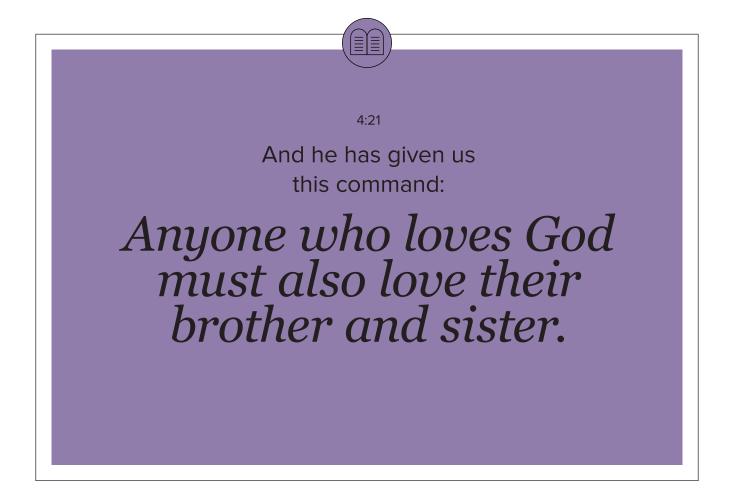
For whoever

does not love their brother and sister,

whom they have seen,

cannot love God,

whom they have not seen.

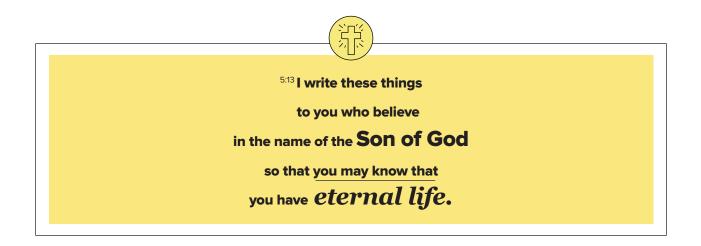


⁵¹ Everyone who believes that **Jesus is the Christ**



Only the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.

He d	^{5:6} This is the one who came id not come by water only, but	by water and blood –Jesus Christ. by water and blood.				
And it is	the Spirit who testifies,	because the Spirit is the truth.				
⁷ For there are	three that testify:	⁸ the Spirit, the water and the blood; and the three are in agreement.				
⁹ We accept but	human testimony, God's testimony	is greater				
because it is	the testimony of God,	which he has given about his Son.				
¹⁰ Whoever b	elieves in the Son of God accepts	Whoever does not believe God has made him out to be a liar, because they have not believed				
	this testimony.	the testimony				
		God has given about his Son.				
¹¹ And this	¹¹ And this is the testimony: and this life is in his Son.					
¹² Who	bever has the Son has life;	whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.				



¹⁴ This is the confidence we have in approaching God:				
that if	¹⁵ And if			
we ask anything	we know tha	t he hears us	we know that we have	
according to his will	-whateve	r we ask–	what we asked of him.	
he hears us.				
¹⁶ If you see any brother or siste	r commit	There is		
a sin that does not l	ead to death,	a sin that l	eads to death.	
you should pray		I am not saying		
and God will give them life.		that you sh	ould pray about that.	
I refer to those		¹⁷ All wrongd	oing is sin, and there is	
whose sin does not lead to death.		sin that do	es not lead to death.	



5:18

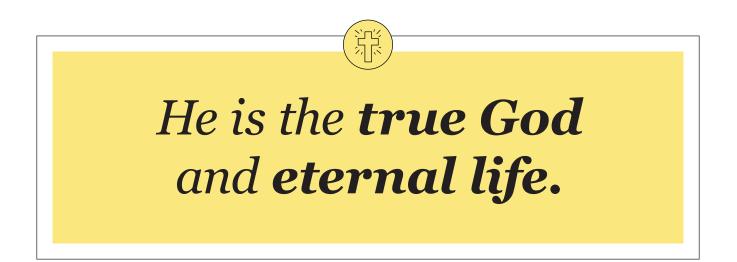
We know that anyone **born of God** does not continue to sin; the One who was **born of God** keeps them safe, and the evil one cannot harm them.

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We know that we are **children of God,** and that the whole world is under the control of the evil one. We know also that the **Son of God** has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true. And we are in him who is true by being in his Son

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Jesus Christ.



²¹ Dear children, keep yourselves from idols.

Ist John-the first letter of each word

1:1-4	1:5		
T w w f t b, w w h h, w w h s w o e,	T i t m w h h f h & d t y:		
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1:6-2:2	2:3-6		
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2:28-3:2	3:3-10
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4:7-12 D f, l u l o a, f l c f G. E w l h b b o G & k G. W d n l d n k G, b G i l. T i h G s h l a u: H s h o & o S i t w t w m l t h. T i l: N t w l G, b t h l u & s h S a a a s f o s. D f, s G s l u, w a o t l o a. N o h e s G; B i w l o a, G l i u & h l i m c i u.	4:13-16 Tihwktwlih&hiu: HhguohS. Awhs&tttFhshStbtSotw. IaatJitSoG,Glit&tiG. &swk&rotlGhfu. Gil. WlilliG,&Git.

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5:13-17	5:18-21
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