

Are you tied  
to ropes of kindness  
and love?



# Drift vs Draw



**Isaiah 29:13** And the Lord said: “Because this people draw near with their mouth and honor me with their lips, while their hearts are far from me, and their fear of me is a commandment taught by men

**Hosea 11:4** I led(drew) Israel along with my ropes of kindness and love. I lifted the yoke from his neck, and I myself stooped to feed him.



**Rev 2:1-5,7** To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: The words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand, who walks among the seven golden lampstands(**churches**).

*I know your works, your toil and your patient endurance, and how you cannot bear evil men but have tested those who call themselves apostles but are not, and found them to be false; I know you are enduring patiently and bearing up for my name's sake, and you have not grown weary.*

But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first. **REMEMBER** then from what you have fallen, **REPENT** and **DO** the works you did at first. If not, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent.

He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who conquers(**not works/toil/endurance**)I will grant to eat of the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.

**Rev 12:11** And they have conquered (Rev 2:7 To him who conquers - nikaó: to conquer, overcome) him (**the accuser of the brethren**) by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death.



**Matt 5:14-16** You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

## Religion vs Relationship

# Returning to my first love



**Identify:** Ephesus  
Pitching without being present (religion)  
Loss of thankfulness

**Remedy:** Remember + Prayer  
Repent + Prayer  
Do + Prayer

**Prayer:** Mourn your state  
Ask to be transformed  
Invite the Spirit into your inner room  
Undo -> (Neuter - make ineffective)

# Remember

# Repent

# Do

audacity, zeal, fortitude,  
impudence, daring, boldness,  
courage, presumption, cheek  
and pertness

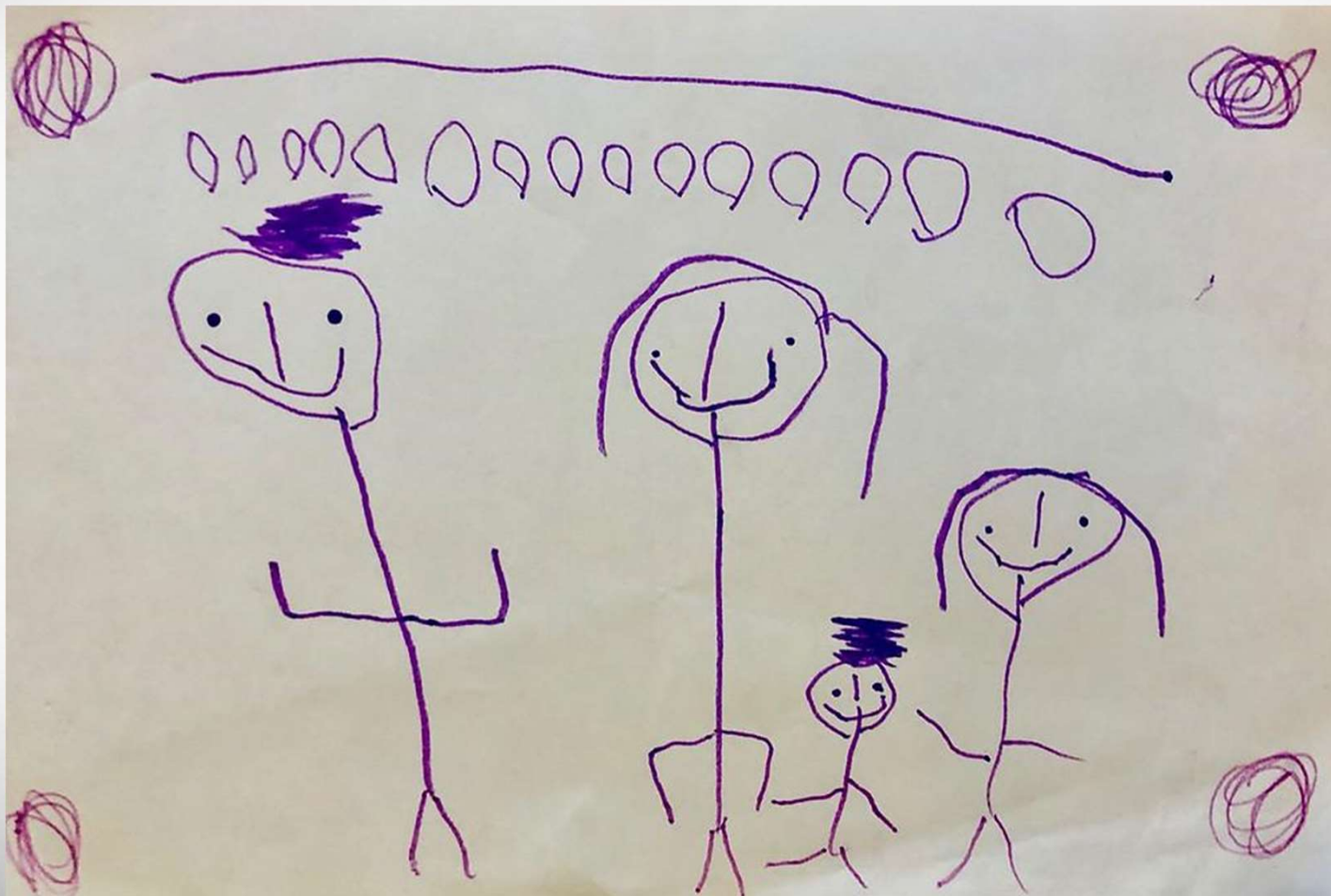


How do  
I do the things  
when the season  
does not look the  
same?





# Becoming a child again





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## Confront professionalism:

He is not a means to an end  
We can't appease

## Transform your mind:

He is the infinite God, who can know him fully?  
Ask His Spirit to illuminate and reveal more of God

## Say yes to God:

If God does not say no; then GO!



# Prayer



LIFE



See you  
next week!

