



Christian Education

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3 TIER EDUCATION SYSTEM

- HOME
- CHURCH
- SCHOOL





**EDUCATION
BEGINS
AT HOME**



**Jesus'
education
took
place at
home**

SECULAR VS CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



Man Centered

VS

God Centered



World Focused

VS

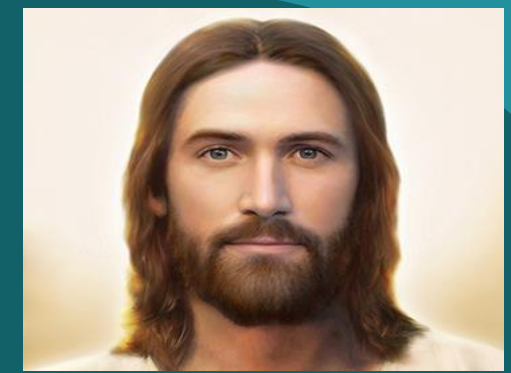
Word Focused



Informative

VS

Formative



JESUS IS:

Historical Figure

VS

LORD

ASSUMPTIONS OF WORLDY EDUCATION



Humans are
supreme, people
evolved



Bad environment is
to blame for evil
behavior



Common practice
sets the standard



No moral
absolutes and no
such thing as guilt



Jesus' education took place at home



Wisdom

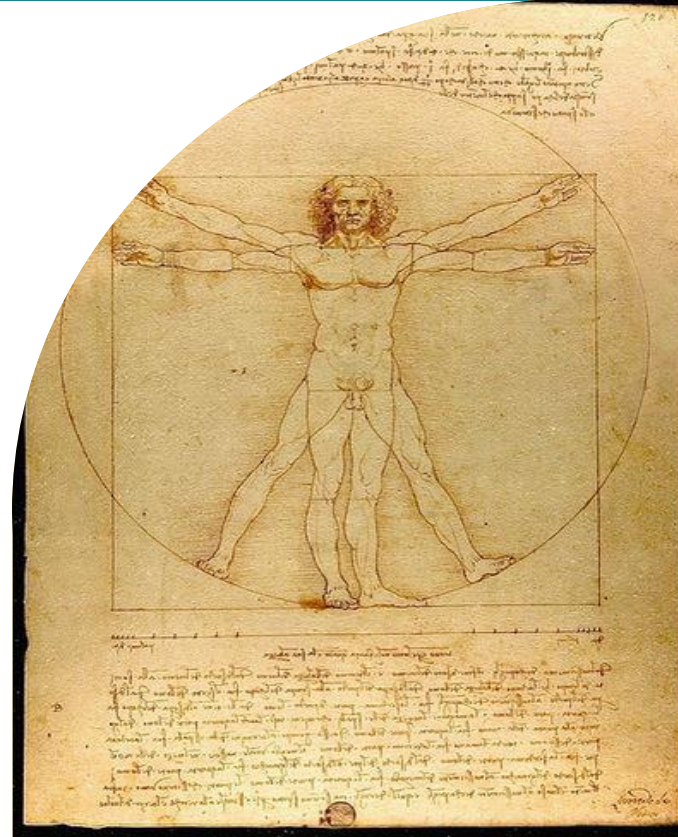
Luke 2:52

And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.

Jesus developed in 4 key areas



- MENTAL
- PHYSICAL
- SPIRITUAL
- SOCIAL





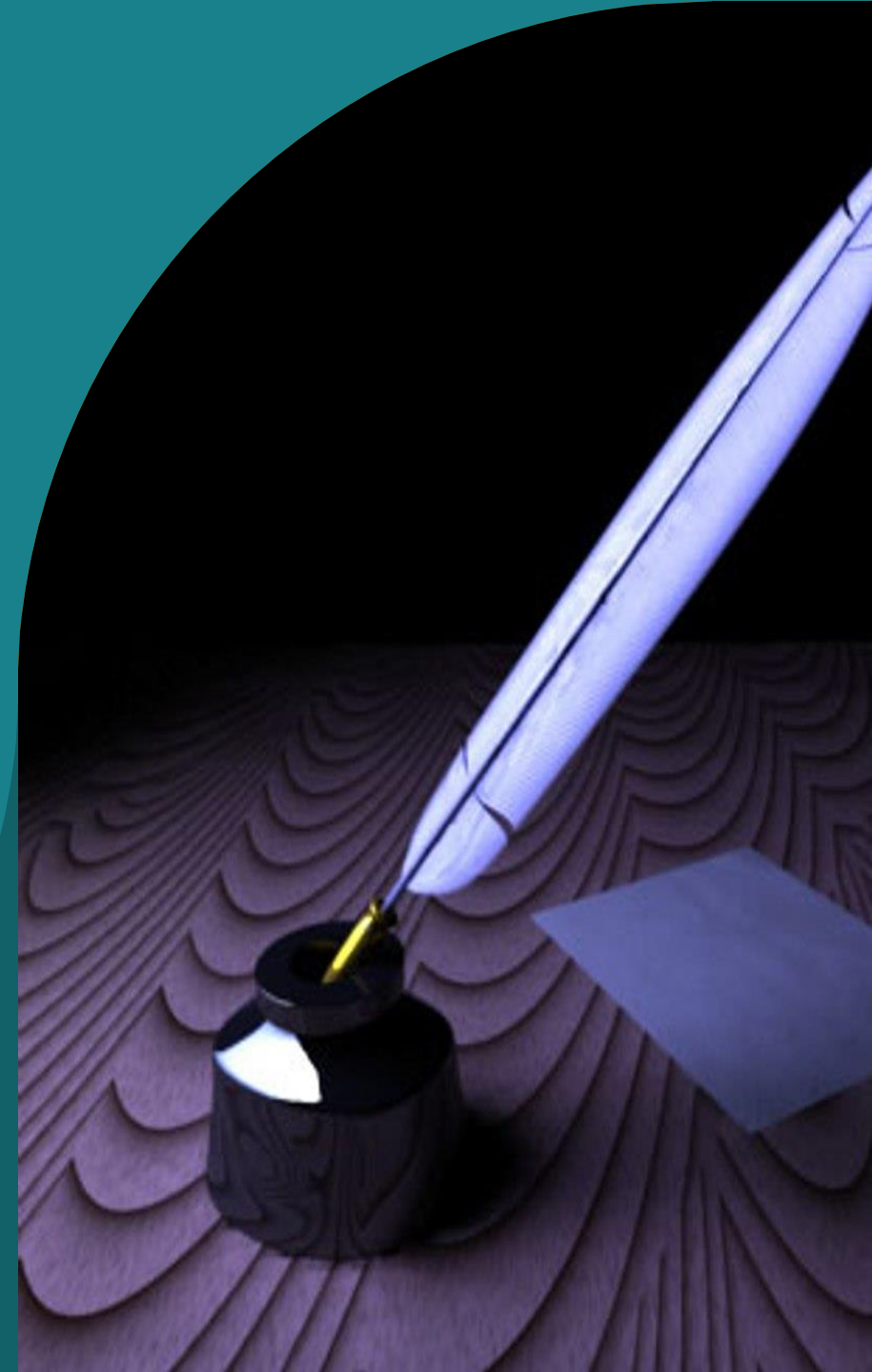
WISDOM

For the LORD gives wisdom;
From His mouth *come*
knowledge and
understanding;

[Proverbs 2:6]

It is the work of true education to “train the youth to be thinkers, and not mere reflectors of other men’s thought.”

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STATURE

- Practical work skills and solid work ethic
- Fitness
- Healthy lifestyle



**Jesus spent the
first three
decades of His
life learning
and perfecting
a practical skill**

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STATURE

Do you not know that you
are the temple of God
and *that* the Spirit of God
dwells in you?

[1 Corinthians 3:16]



FAVOR WITH GOD

- Study God's Word
- Learn how to pray
- How to have faith
- Participate in worship activities



FAVOR WITH GOD

- Encounter Adventist leaders as mentors and role models
- Develop a Biblical world view
- In Christian education faith and learning meet and merge centered on God



CHRISTIAN LIFESTYLE

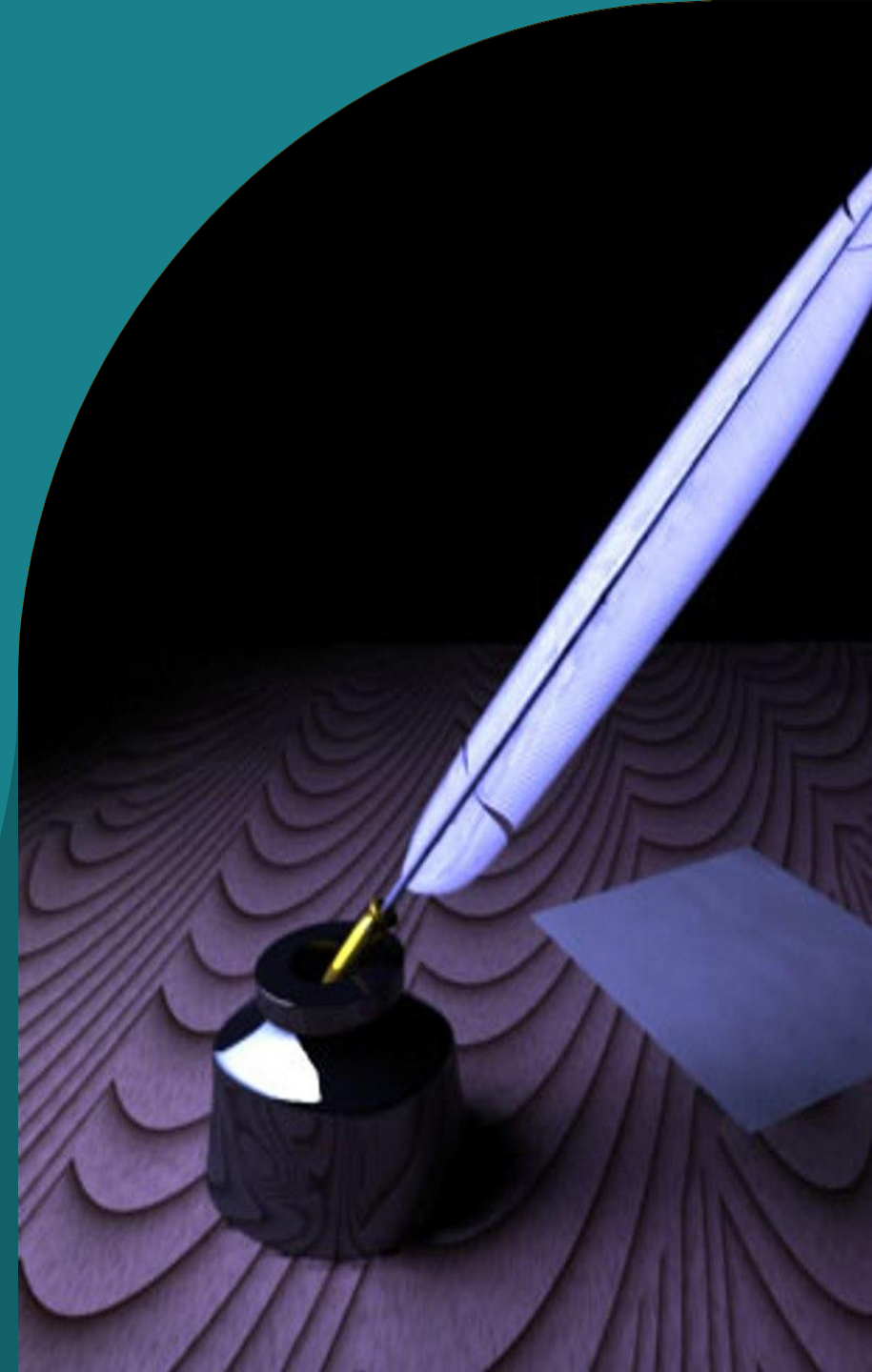
- Christianity is a lifestyle, not an add-on
- We do not need Christianity flowing alongside life – we need Christian lives
- We do not need individuals who can serve as on occasion Christians, we need genuine Christians 24/7



Learn to touch the lives of others

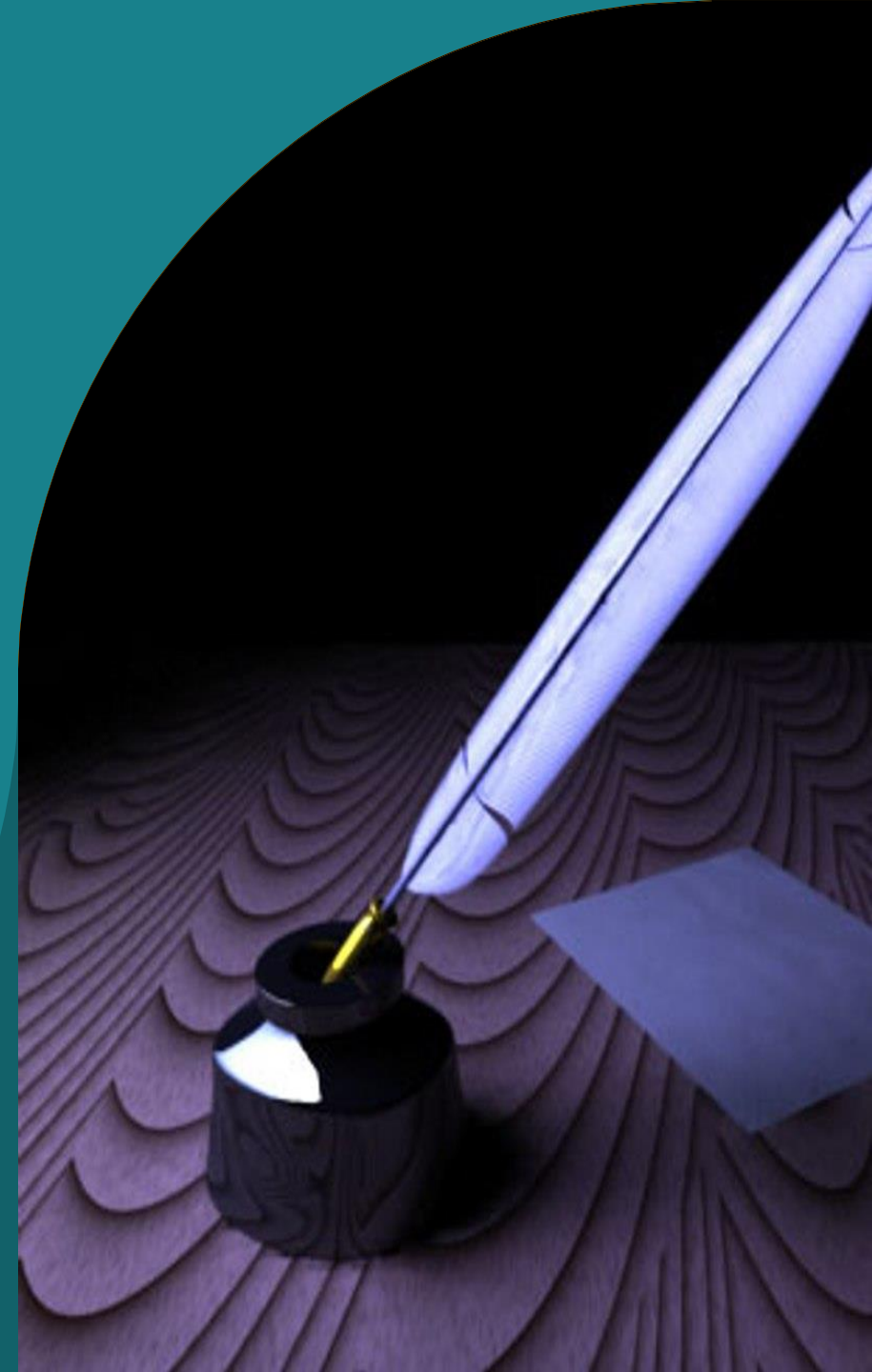
True education means more than the pursual of a certain course of study. It means more than a preparation for the life that now is.

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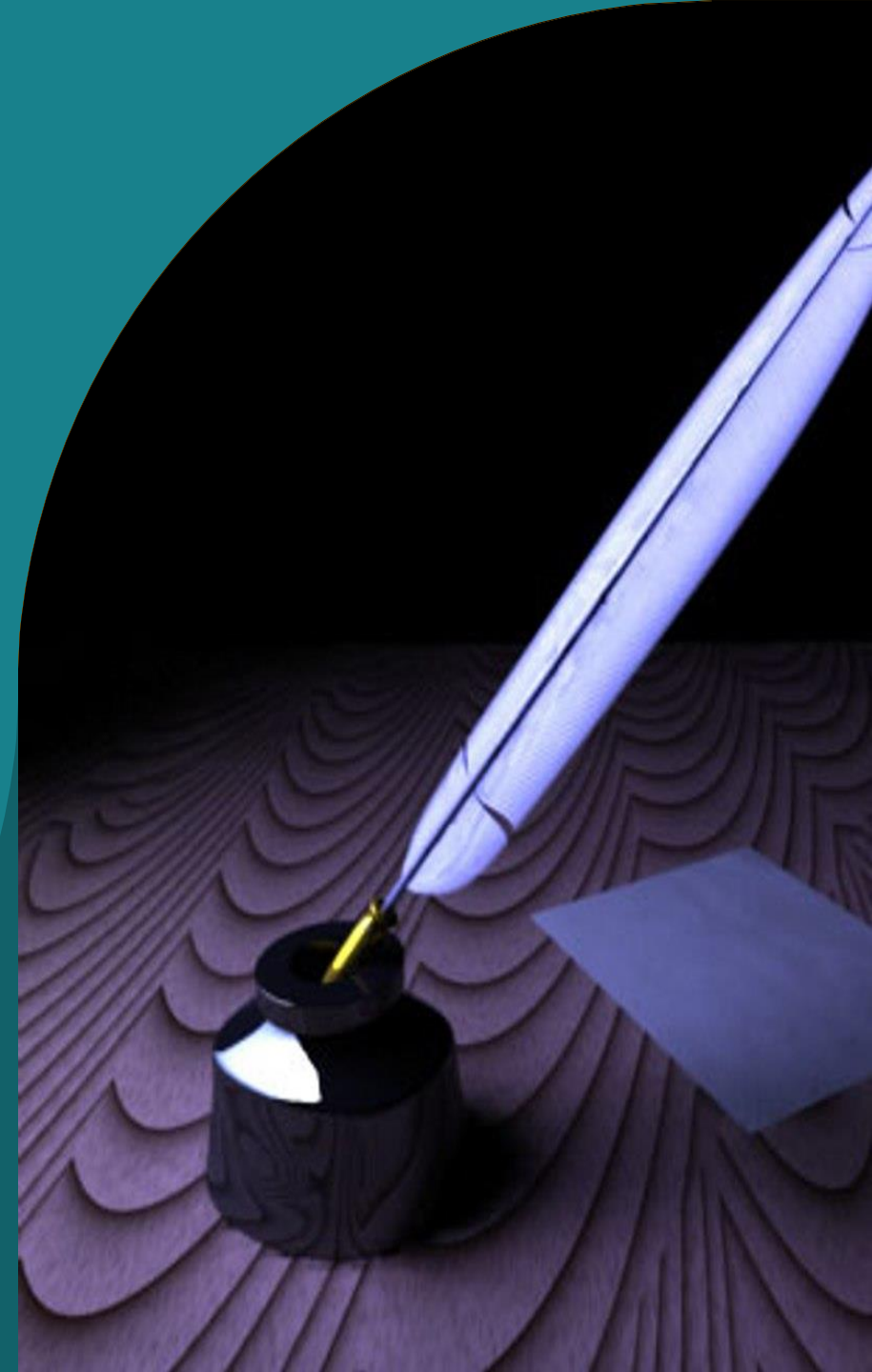
It has to do with the whole being, and with the whole period of existence possible to man. It is the harmonious development of the **physical**, the **mental**, and the **spiritual** powers.

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It prepares the student for the **joy of service** in this world. And for the higher joy of the wider service in the **world to come.**

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**EDUCATION
CONTINUES
AT CHURCH**

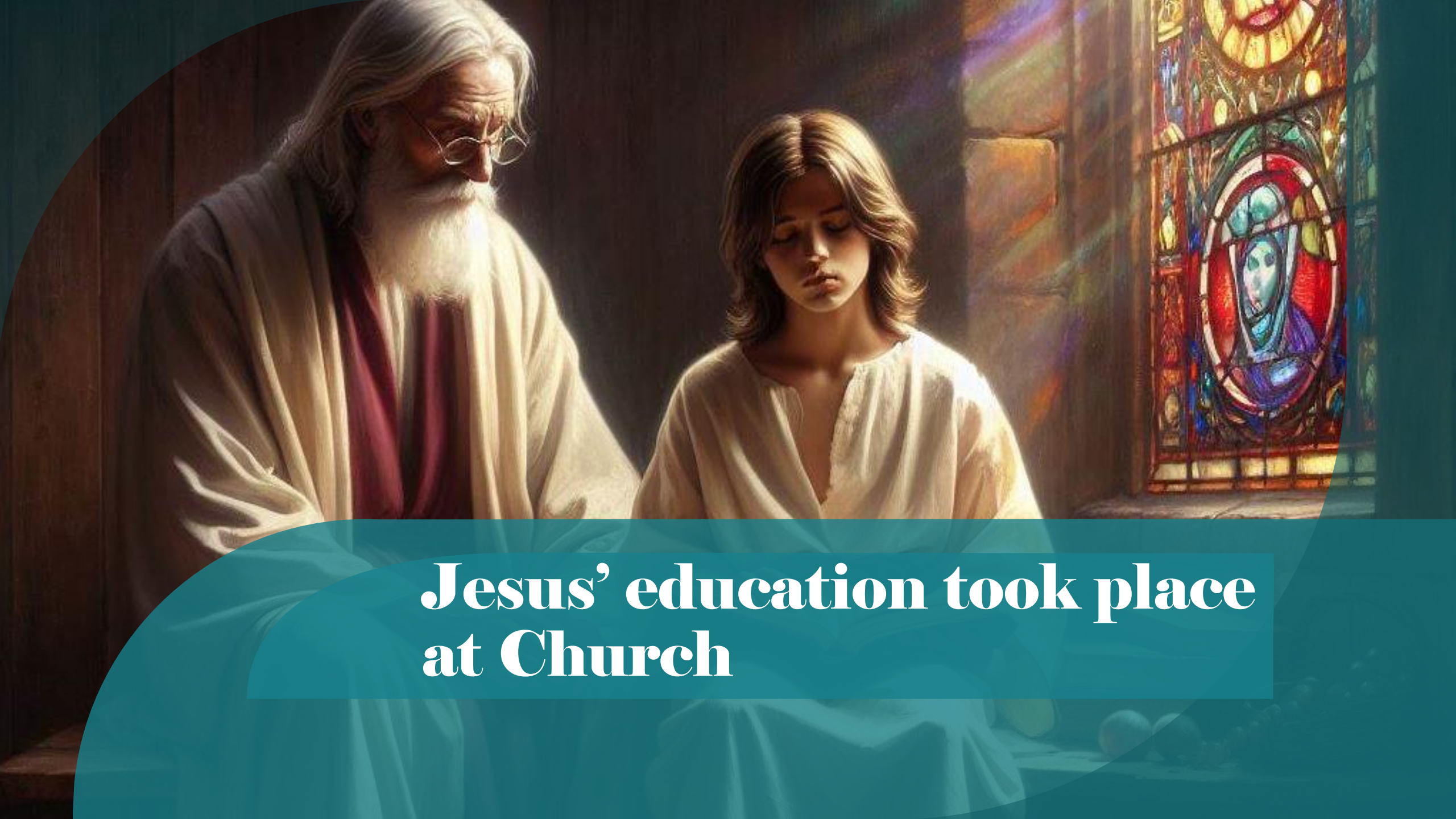
New Hope
United Re
Church
Wesleyan
Amen
Pastor: Rev. Am



Luke 2:49



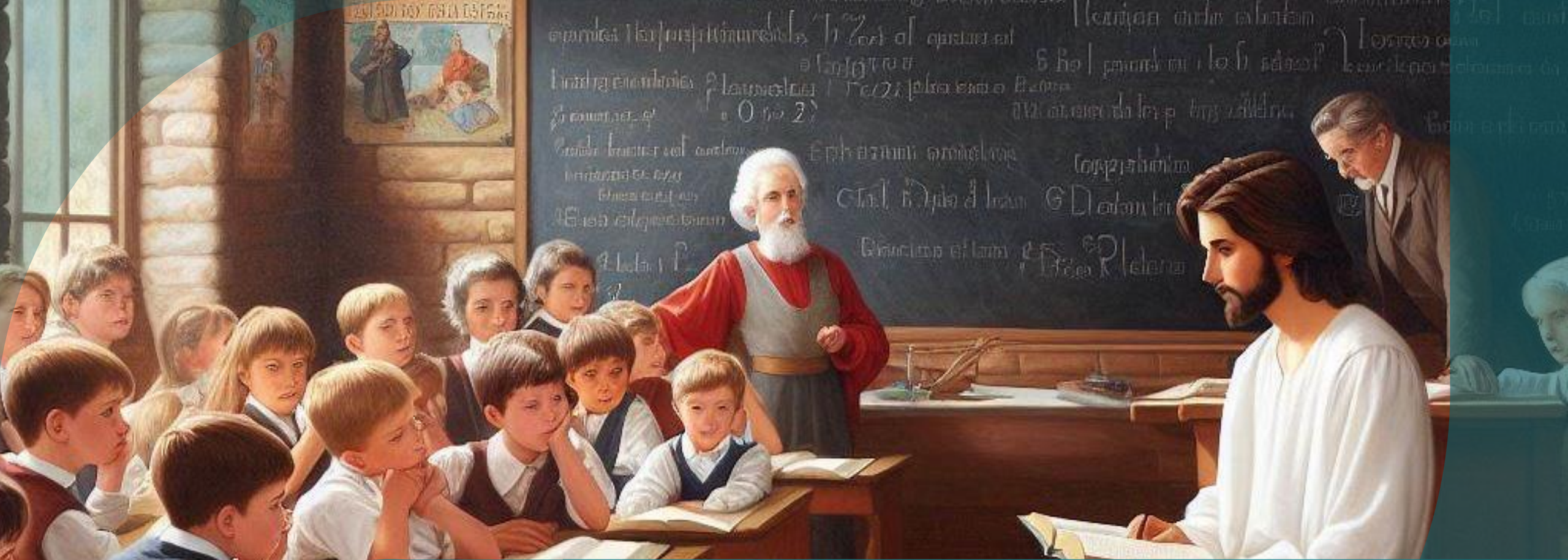
And He said to them, “Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father’s business?”



Jesus' education took place at Church



**EDUCATION DOESN'T END
AT SCHOOL**



Education at School



Luke 2:46

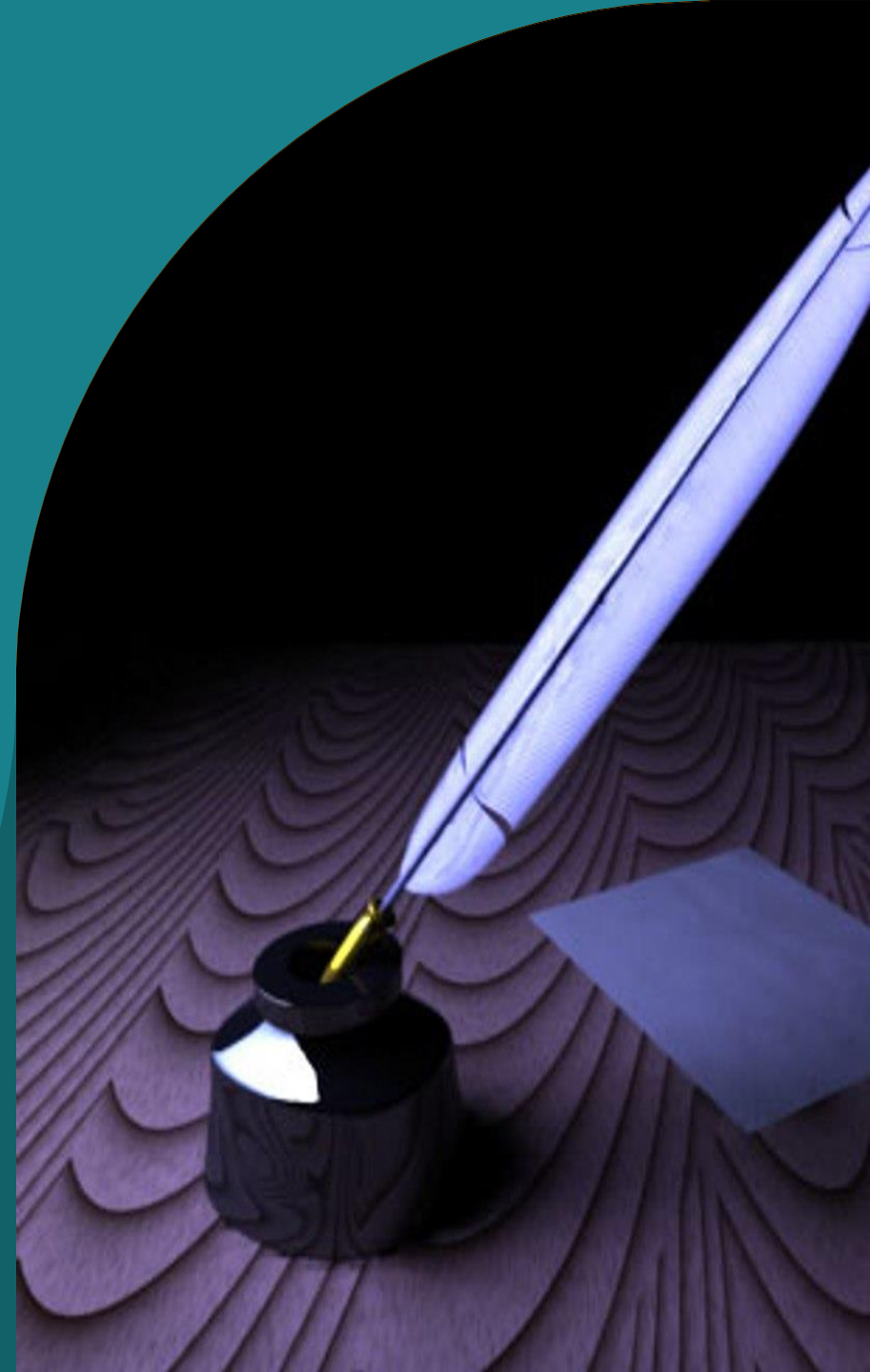


Now so it was *that* after three days they found Him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking them questions.



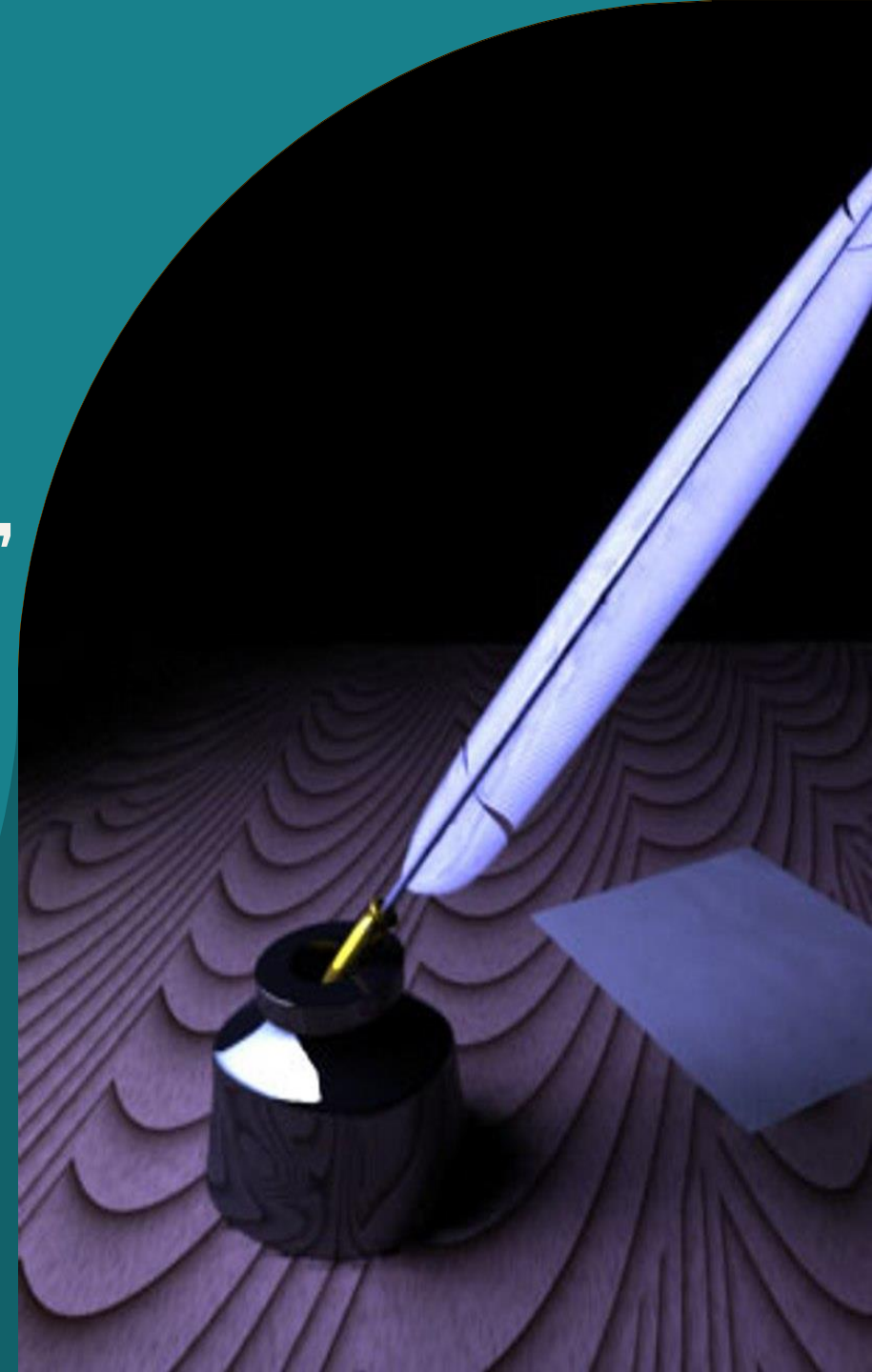
“In all our churches, and wherever there is a company of believers, church schools should be established.”

PH131 6.2



“Is obedience to all the commandments of God taught the children in their very first lesson? ... Therefore, in localities where there is a church, a school should be established, if there are no more than six children to attend.”

PH131 6.3





John 17:3

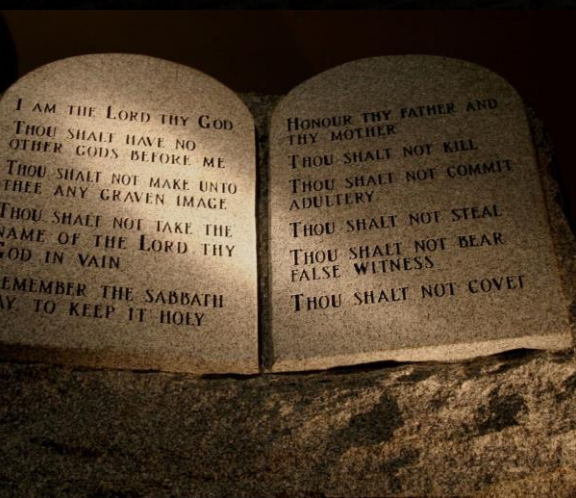


And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.

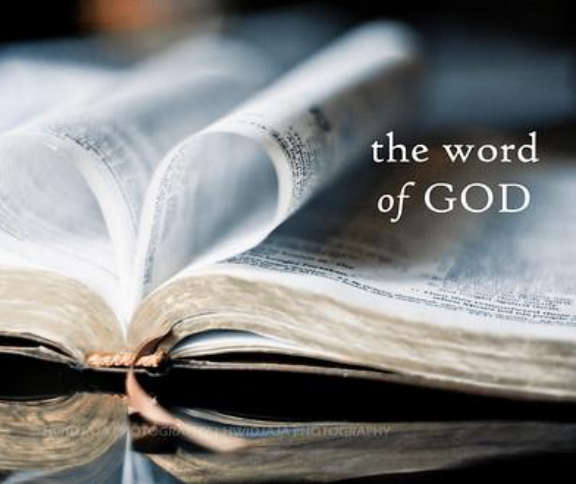




Isaiah 54:13



All your children *shall be* taught by
the LORD,
And great *shall be* the peace of your
children.



Cognitive Genesis Study



50th
PERCENTILE

AVERAGE ACHIEVEMENT
OF AN 8TH GRADER
JUST STARTING AT AN
ADVENTIST SCHOOL

57th
PERCENTILE

ACHIEVEMENT OF AN
8TH GRADER AFTER
JUST 1-2 YEARS AT AN
ADVENTIST SCHOOL

64th
PERCENTILE

ACHIEVEMENT AT AN
ADVENTIST SCHOOL
8TH GRADER AFTER 3-6
YEARS OF ENROLLMENT

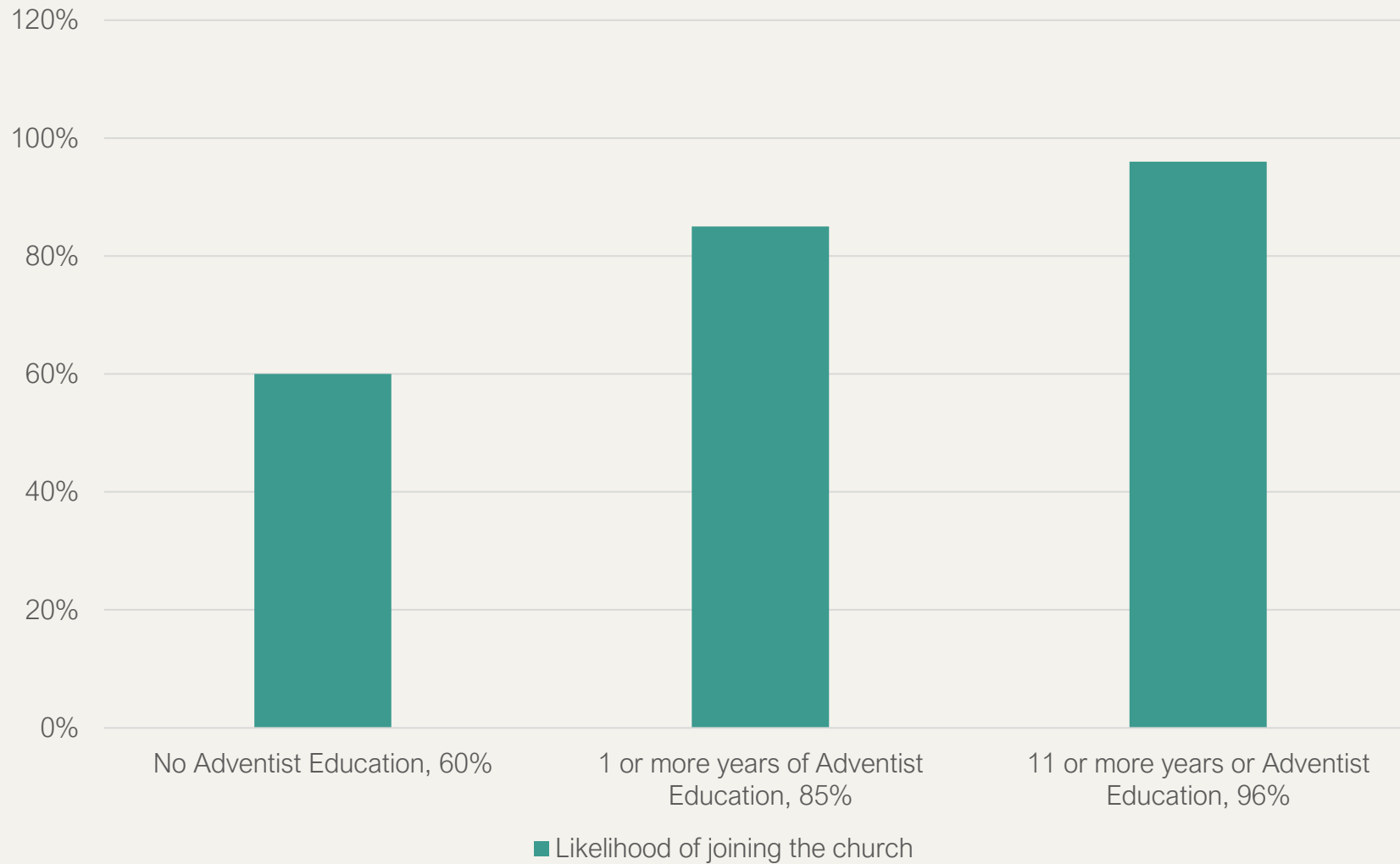
73rd
PERCENTILE

ACHIEVEMENT OF AN
8TH GRADER AFTER
ALL 7 PREVIOUS
YEARS AT AN
ADVENTIST SCHOOL

60%
OF ADVENTIST K-8
SCHOOLS ARE CONSIDERED

small schools
(SCHOOLS WITH THREE OR FEWER TEACHERS)

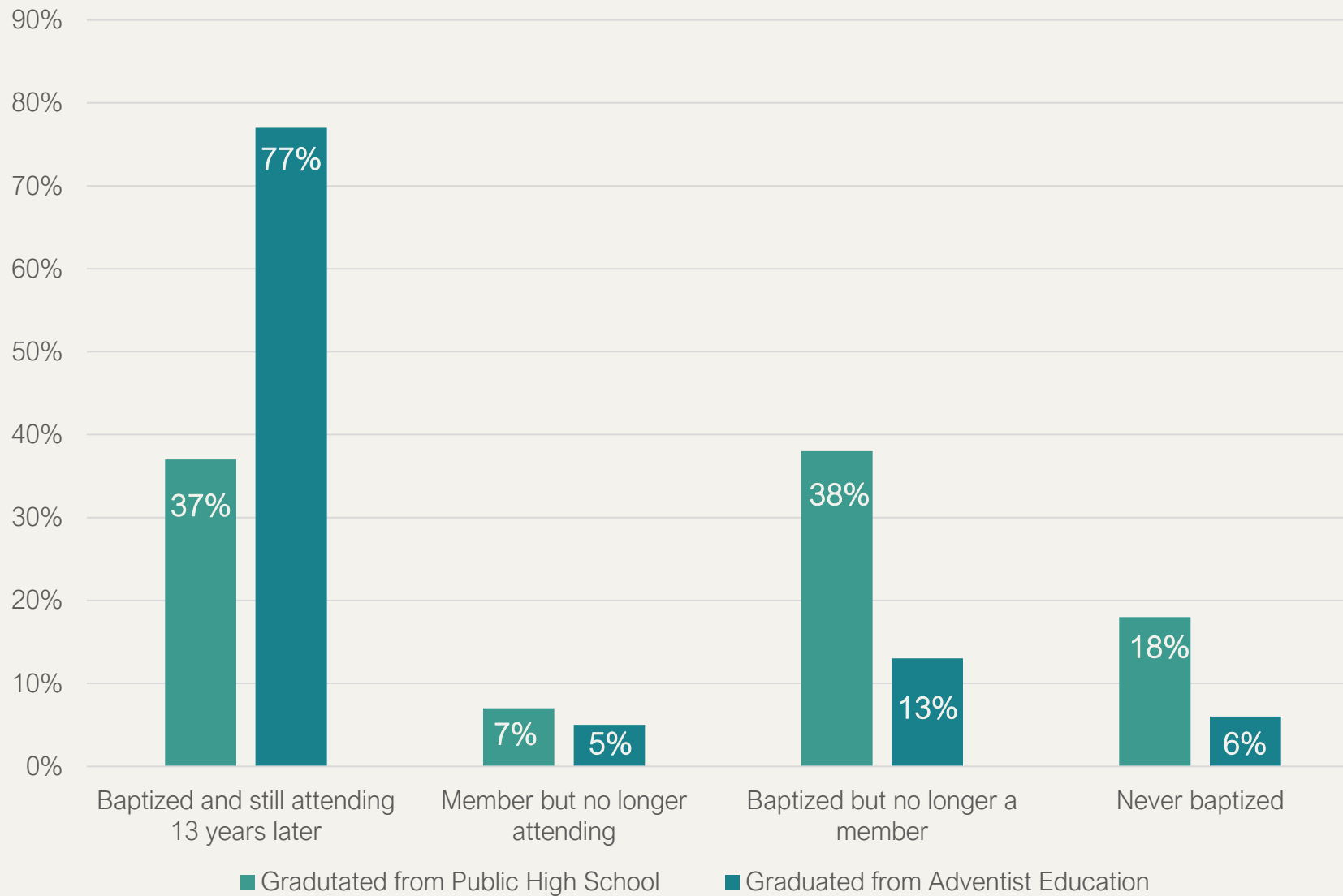
Likelihood of joining the church



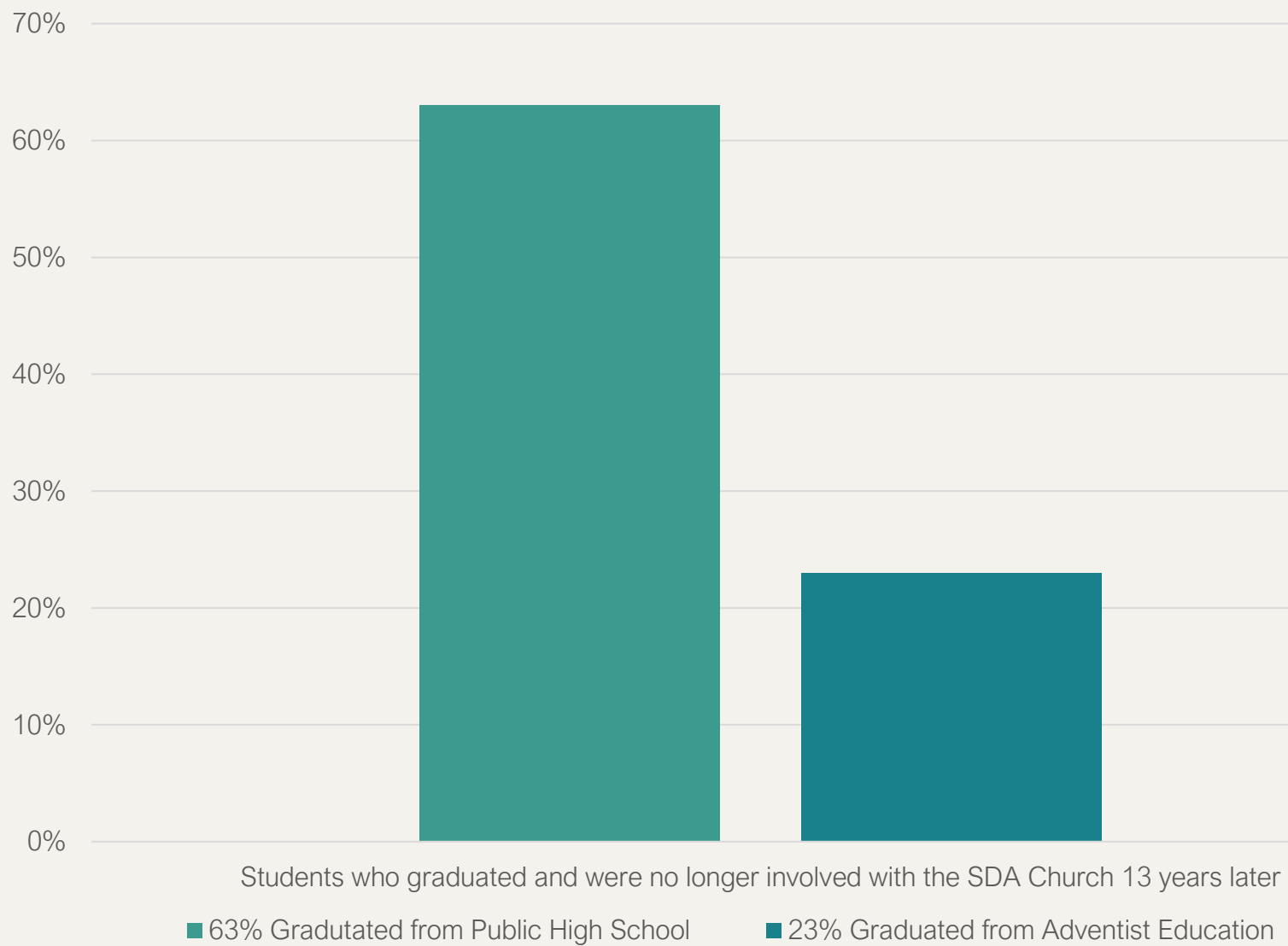
One study involved 844 participants to see relation of Adventist Education and baptism.

RETENTION:

- Over the past 30 years there have been at least 7 studies that have examined the role of Adventist Education in retention
- Value Genesis Study in 2010 examined factors related to the development in religious faith in 2,200 twelfth grade students.
- The most important factor that nurtured their faith was attending an SDA School.
- 81% of students attending an Adventist School said attending an Adventist school was the most important thing that has helped me develop my religious faith.

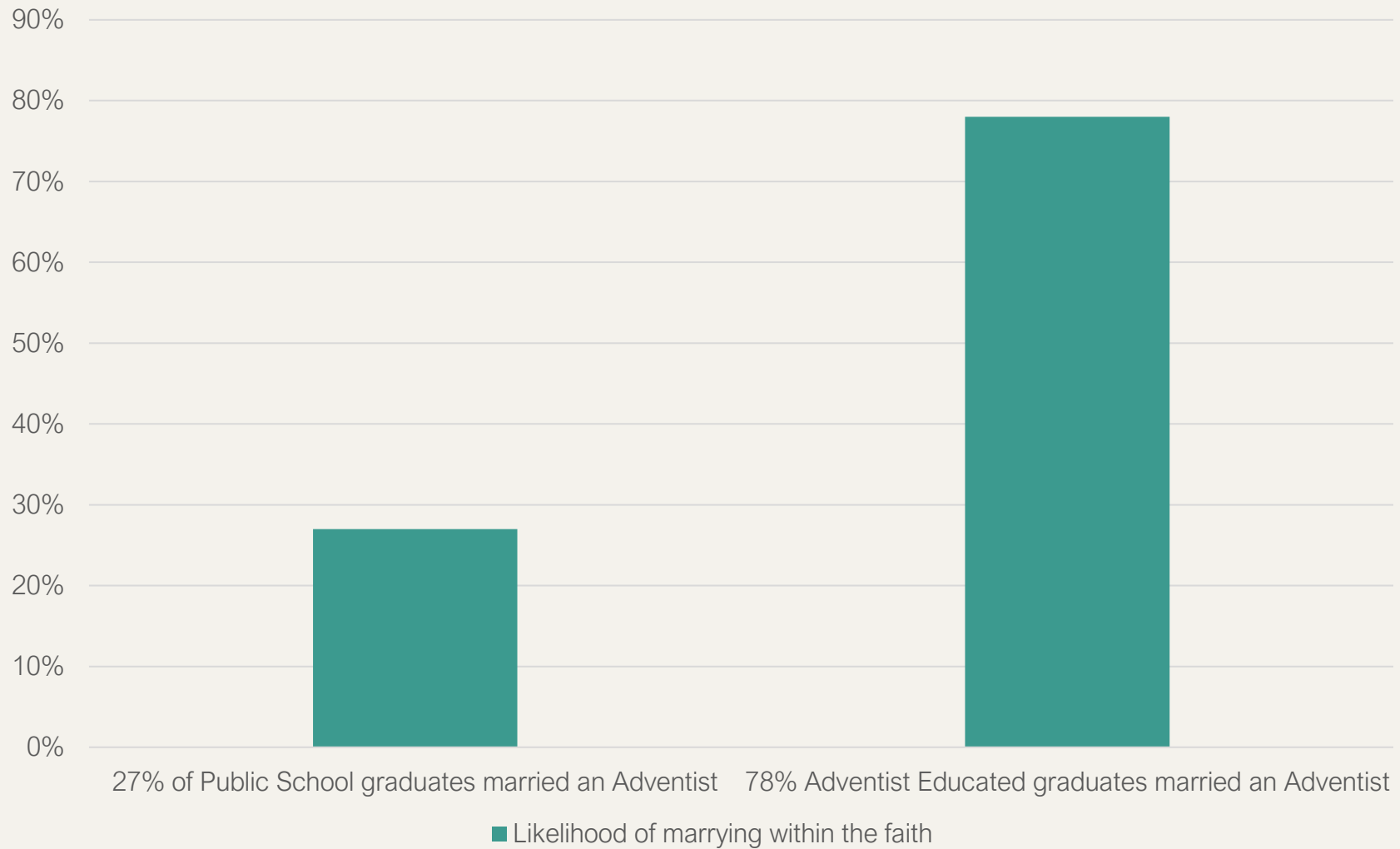


Study compares students of Adventist families that attended secular schools vs Adventist Schools. The researcher followed these young people for a 13-year period.



Students are twice as likely to stay in church 13 years later if they graduated from an SDA Education system.

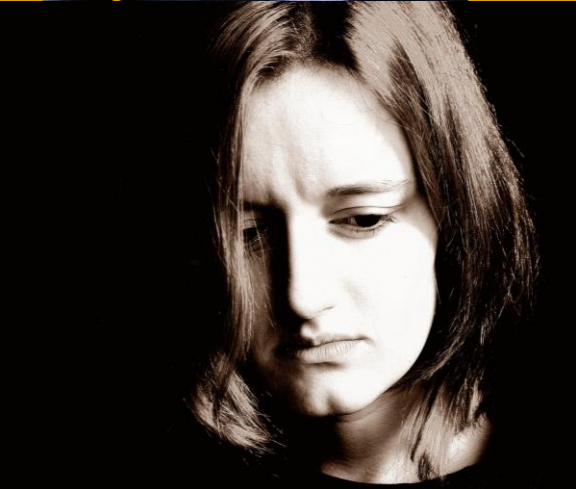
Likelihood of marrying within the faith



Same study examined those who married a Seventh-day Adventist



Matthew 16:26



For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?





Jeremiah 51:6, Revelation 18:4

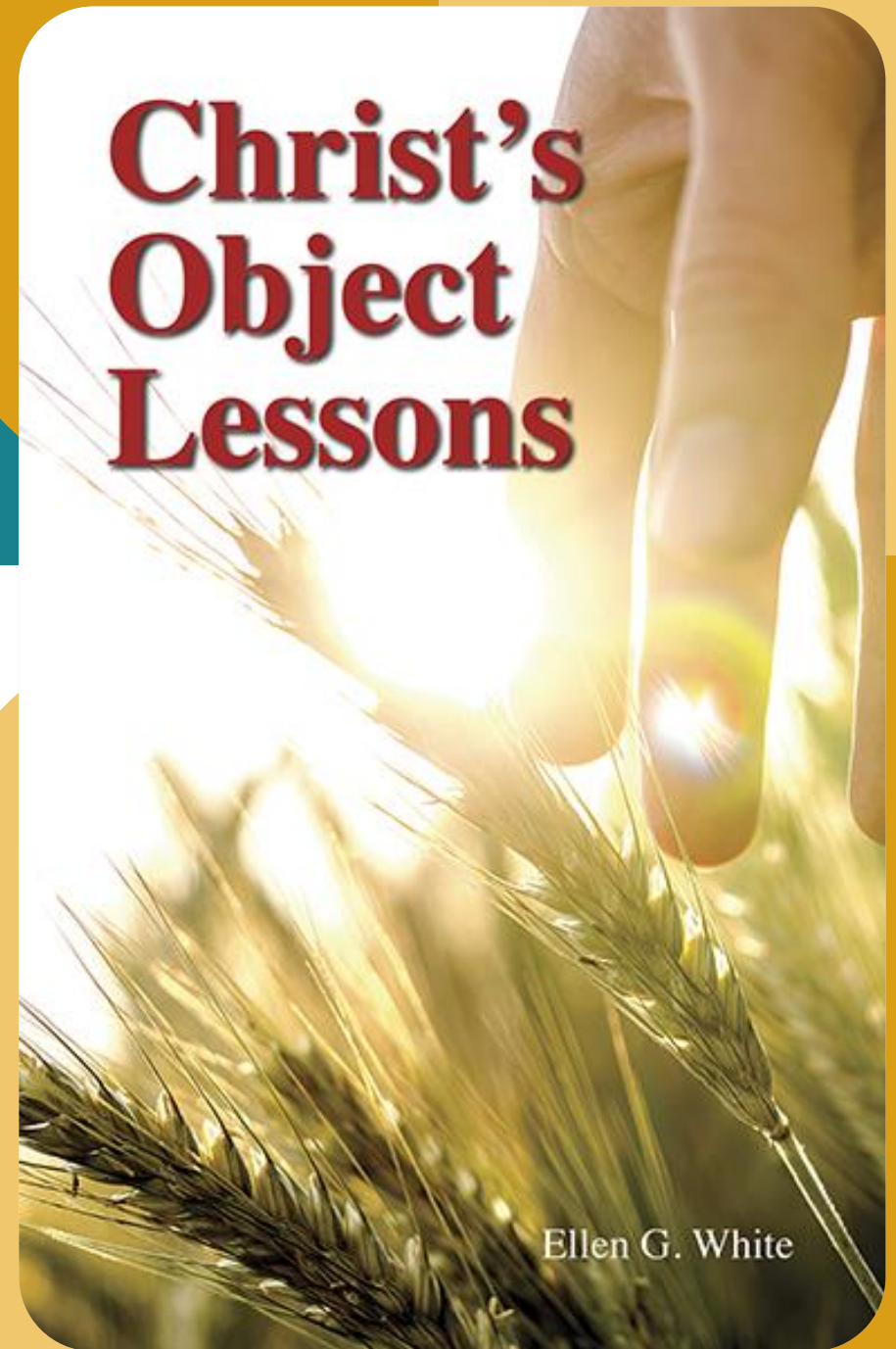


- Flee from the midst of Babylon,
And every one save his life!...
- And I heard another voice from
heaven saying, “Come out of her,
my people...”



Christ's Object Lessons
came to be linked to the
financial support of
Adventist schools

**The Lord has made the sale of this book
a means of teaching our people how to
come in touch with those not of their
faith, and how to impart to them a
knowledge of the truth for this time.
Many have been converted by reading
this book."**





Decision Time



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