



A CHURCH THAT LOOKS LIKE JESUS

COLOSSIANS 1:28-29

A woman with long brown hair, wearing a blue robe over a tan tunic, stands with her back to the camera. She is addressing a large crowd of people sitting on the ground in a field. The background shows rolling hills and trees under a bright sky.

Reading from God's Word

Colossians 1:28-29

28 We proclaim him,
warning and teaching
everyone with all wisdom,
so that we may present
everyone mature in Christ.

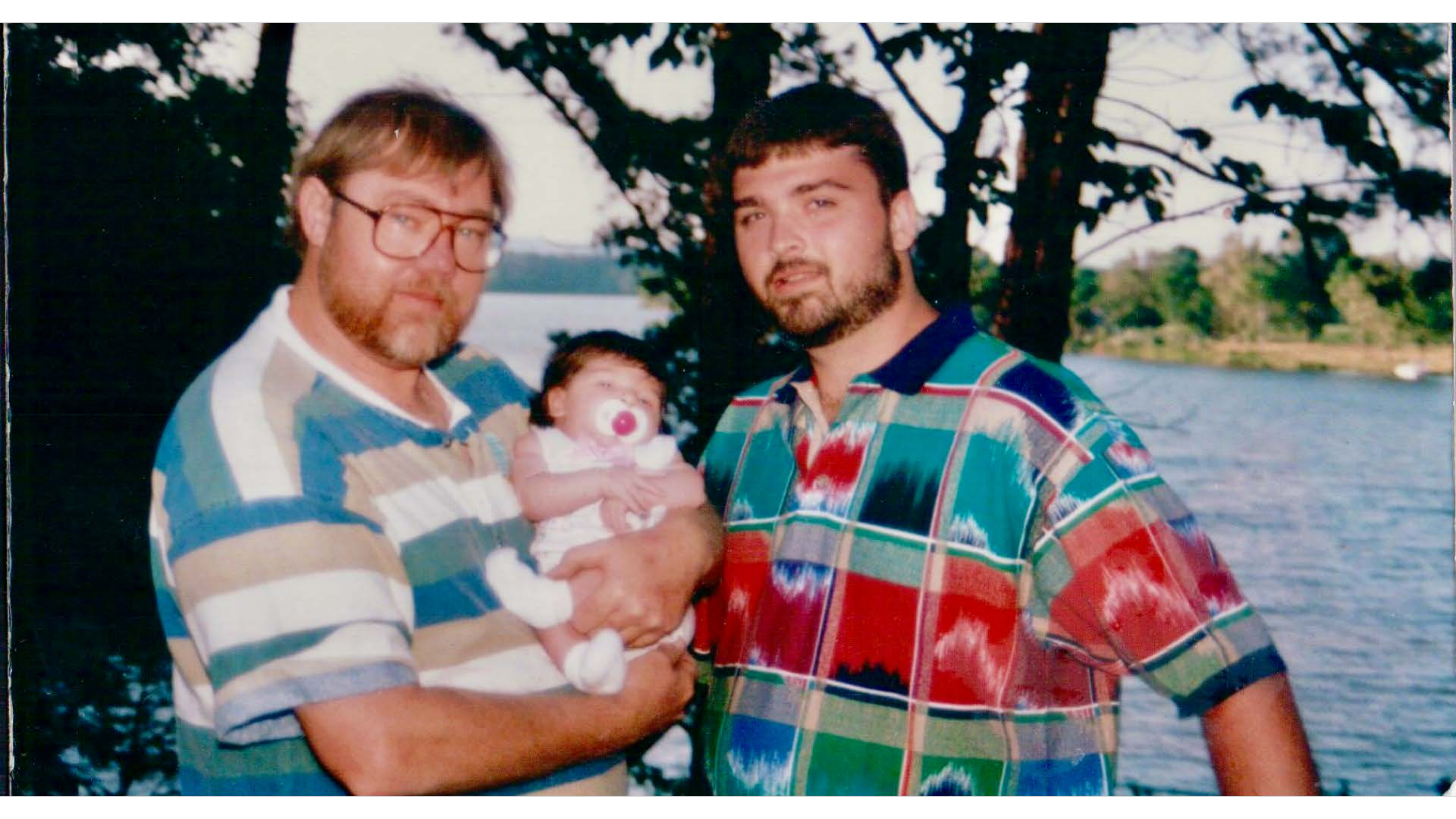
29 I labor for this, striving
with his strength that works
powerfully in me.



MATURITY IN THE BODY

Growing Together into Christlikeness









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13 until **we all** reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of God's Son, growing into maturity with a stature measured by Christ's fullness.

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The Work



Colossians 1:28

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16 Let the word of Christ dwell richly among you, **in all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another**

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**so that we may present
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The Aim

Colossians 1:28



28 ..., **so that we may**
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Christ.

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Christ.



22 But now he has reconciled you by his physical body through his death, **to present you holy, faultless, and blameless before him—**

28 ...so that we may present
everyone _____ in Christ.

28 ...so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

28 We proclaim him,
warning and teaching
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so that we may present
everyone mature _____.

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The Cost



Colossians 1:29

29 I _____ for this, striving
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12 Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ Jesus, sends you greetings. He is always **wrestling** for you in his prayers, **so that you can stand mature and fully assured in everything God wills.**

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with his _____ that
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As We Close...



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