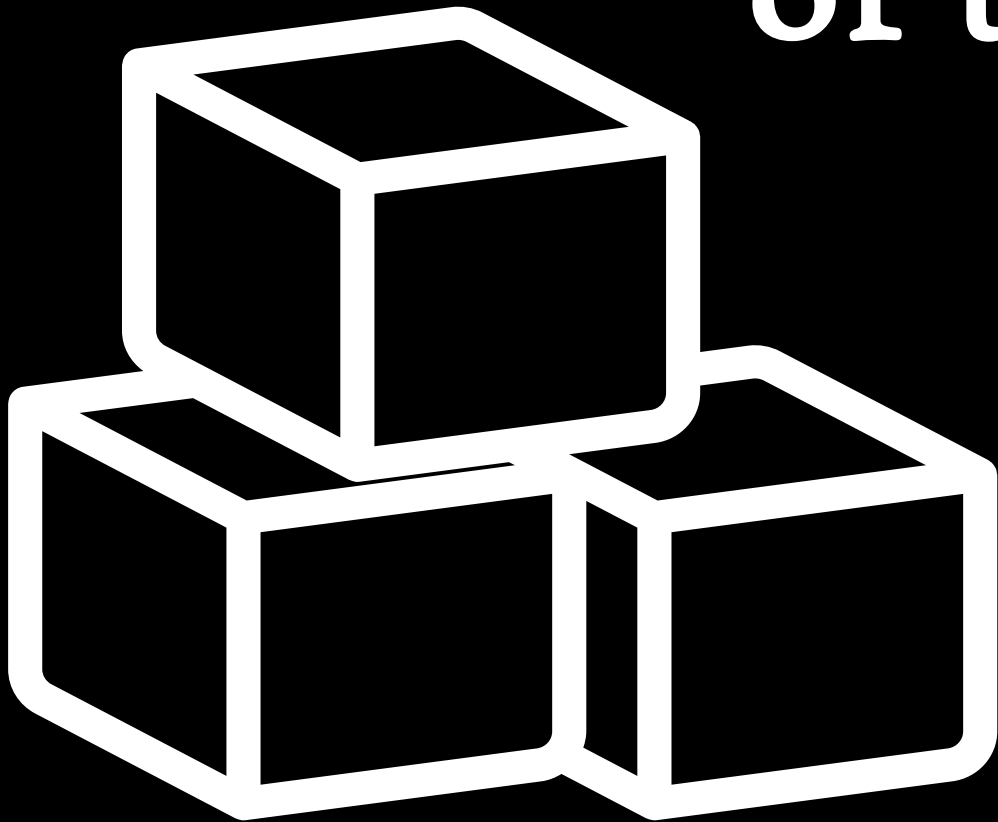
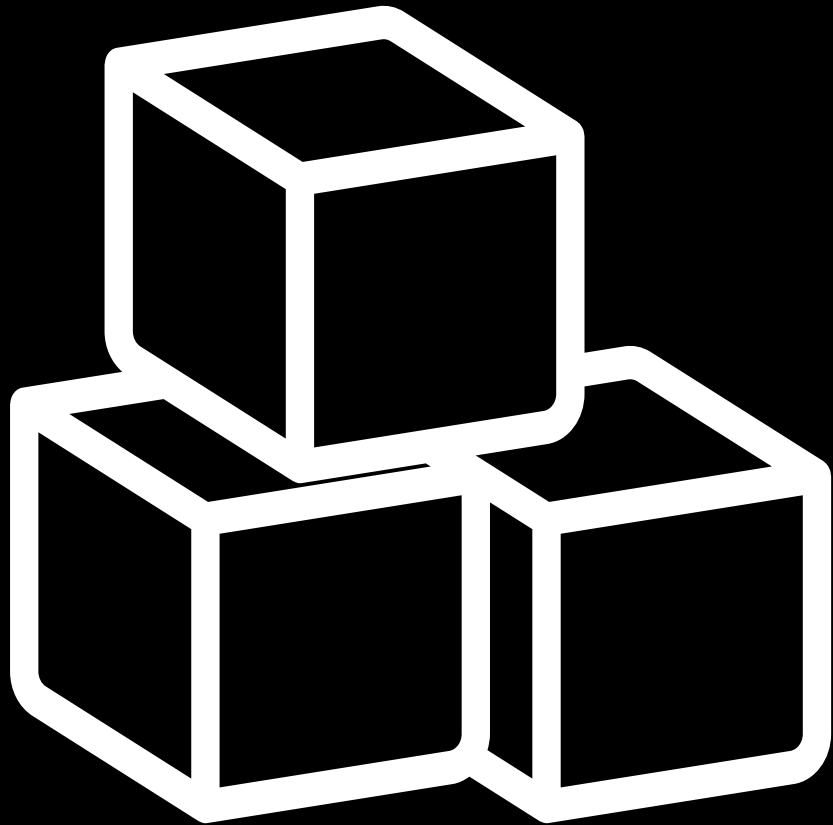


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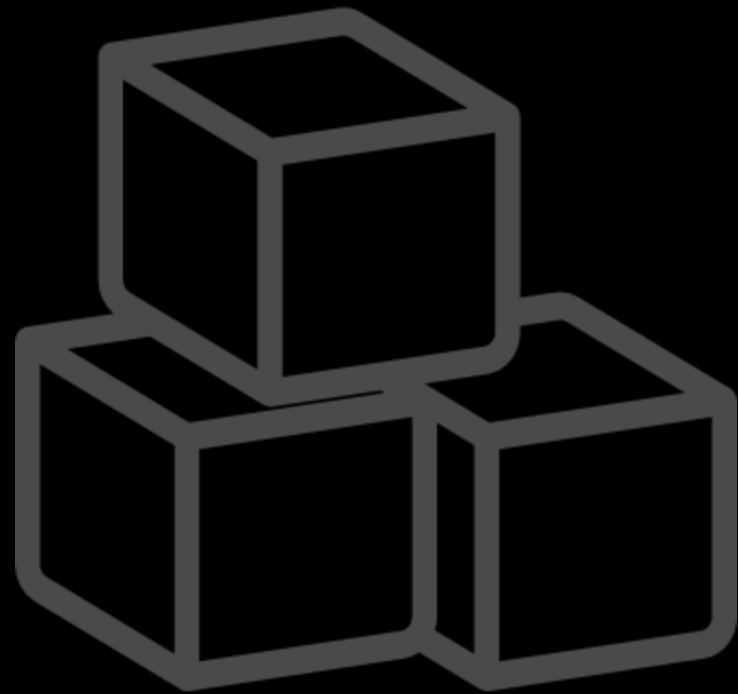
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1. Discipline

Hebrew 12:7-11

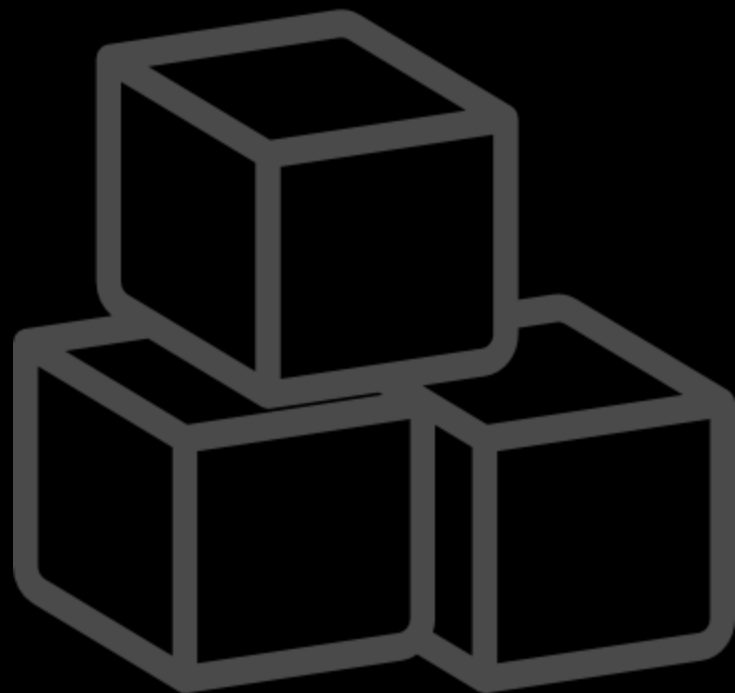
⁷If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom a father does not chasten? ⁸But if you are without chastening, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate and not sons. ⁹Furthermore, we have had human

⁹fathers who corrected us, and we paid them respect. Shall we not much more readily be in subjection to the Father of spirits and live? ¹⁰For they indeed for a few days chastened us as seemed best to them, but He for our profit, that we may be partakers of His holiness. ¹¹Now no chastening

¹¹seems to be joyful for the present, but painful; nevertheless, afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.



1. Discipline



2. Pruning

John 15:1-2

¹“I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. ²Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit, He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit.”



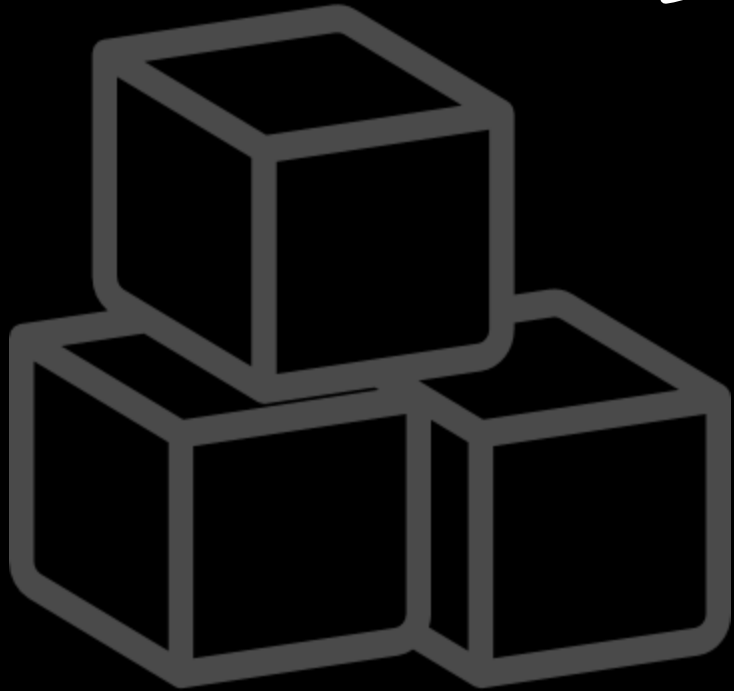
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**3. Someone else's
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2 Timothy 4:6-8

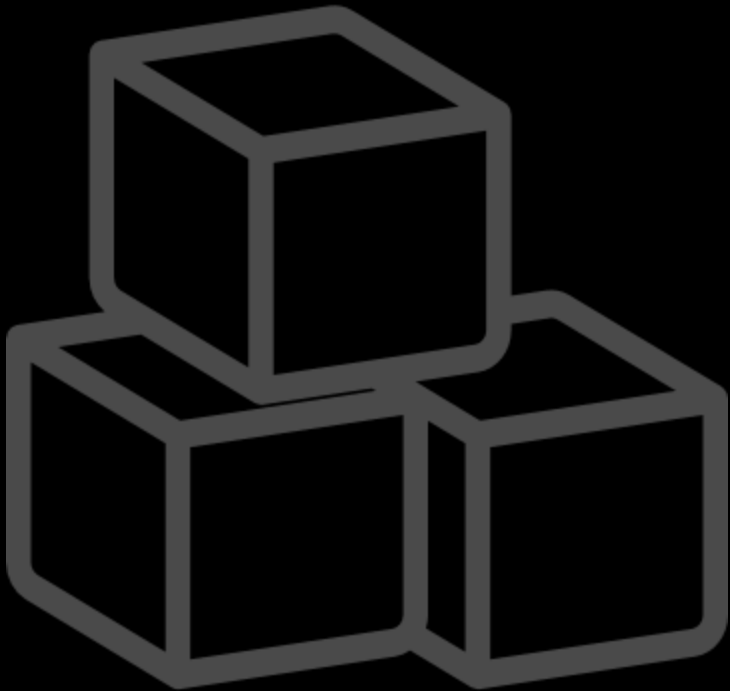
⁶For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure is at hand. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord,

⁸the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.



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4. Foolishness



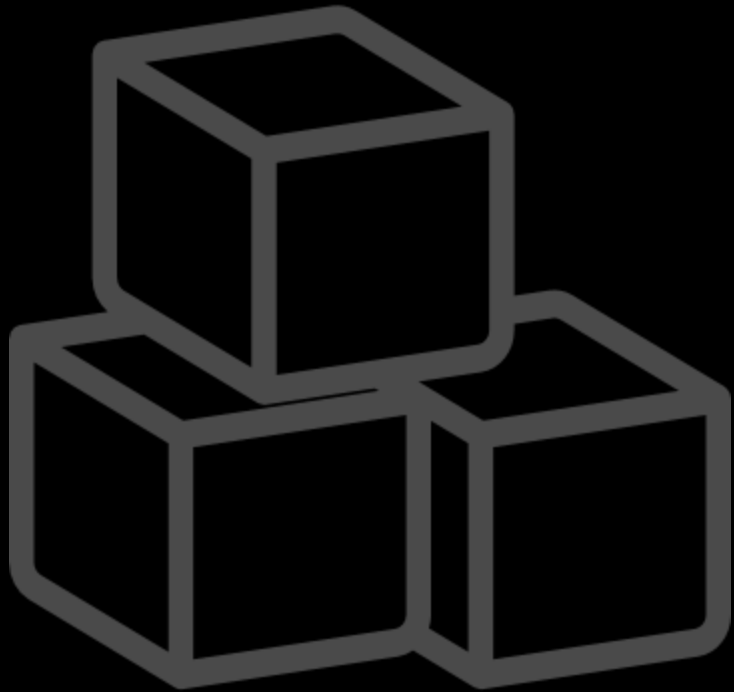
Matthew 4:5-7

⁵Then the devil took Him up into the holy city, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶and said to Him, “If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down. For it is written: ‘He shall give His angels charge over you,’ and ‘in their hands they shall bear you up, lest

⁶you dash your foot against a stone.” ⁷Jesus said to Him, “It is written again, ‘You shall not tempt the LORD your God.’”



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5. Effects of sin

Romans 8:18-22

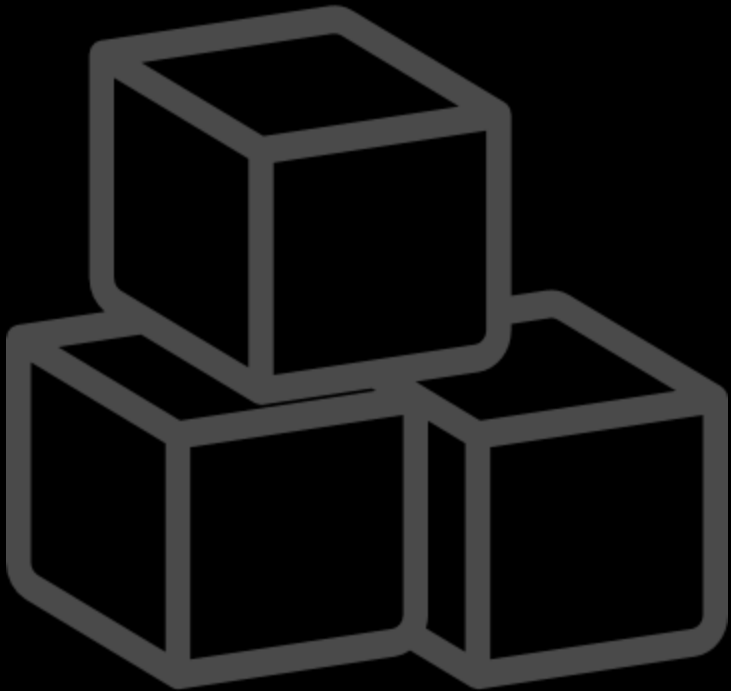
¹⁸For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. ¹⁹For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God. ²⁰For the creation was subjected to

²⁰futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; ²¹because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

²²For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now.

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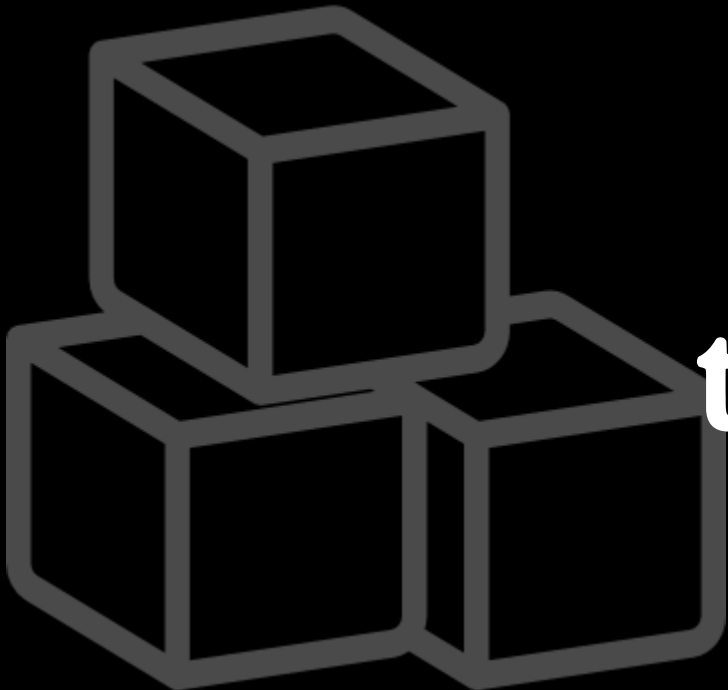
²³Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body. ²⁴For we were saved in this hope, but hope that is seen is not hope; for why does one still hope

²⁴for what he sees? ²⁵But if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with perseverance.



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Philippians 3:1-9

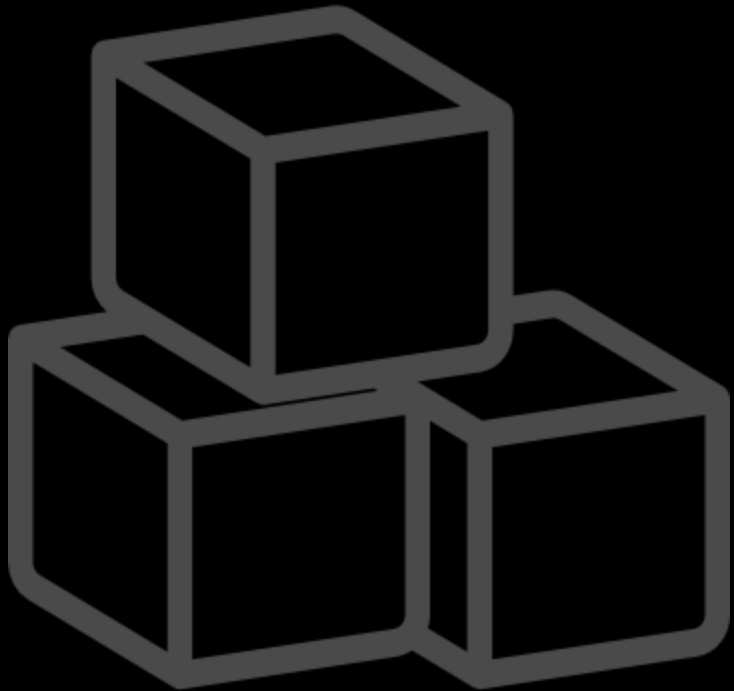
¹Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. For me to write the same things to you is not tedious, but for you it is safe. ²Beware of dogs, beware of evil workers, beware of the mutilation! ³For we are the circumcision, who worship God in the Spirit, rejoice in Christ Jesus,

³and have no confidence in the flesh,
⁴though I also might have confidence in
the flesh. If anyone else thinks he may
have confidence in the flesh, I more so:
⁵circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of
Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew
of the Hebrews; concerning the Law,

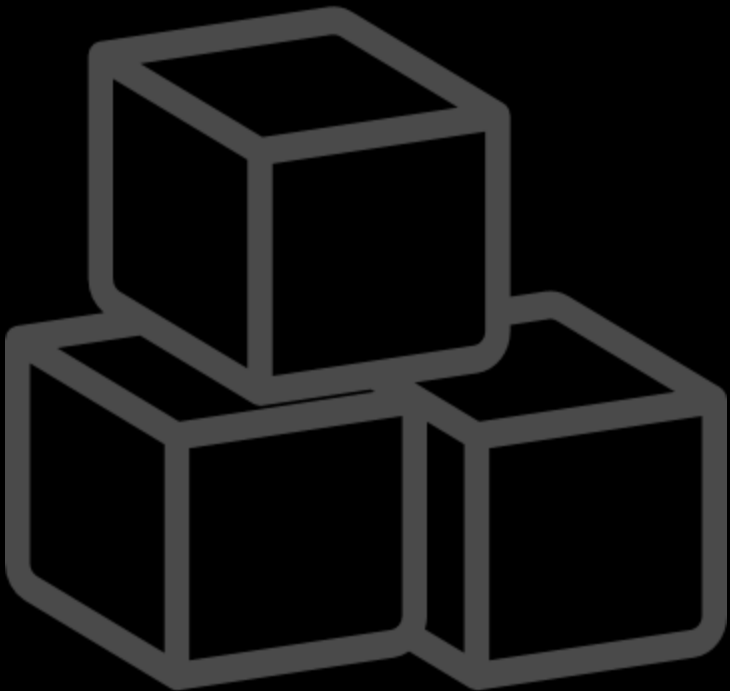
⁵a Pharisee; ⁶concerning zeal, persecuting the church; concerning the righteousness which is in the Law, blameless. ⁷But what things were gain to me, these I have counted loss for Christ. ⁸Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord,

⁸for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith.

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8. Learning the sufficiency of God's Grace



2 Corinthians 12:7-10

⁷And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure.

⁸Concerning this thing, I pleaded with the Lord three time, that it

⁸ might depart from me. ⁹ And He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for

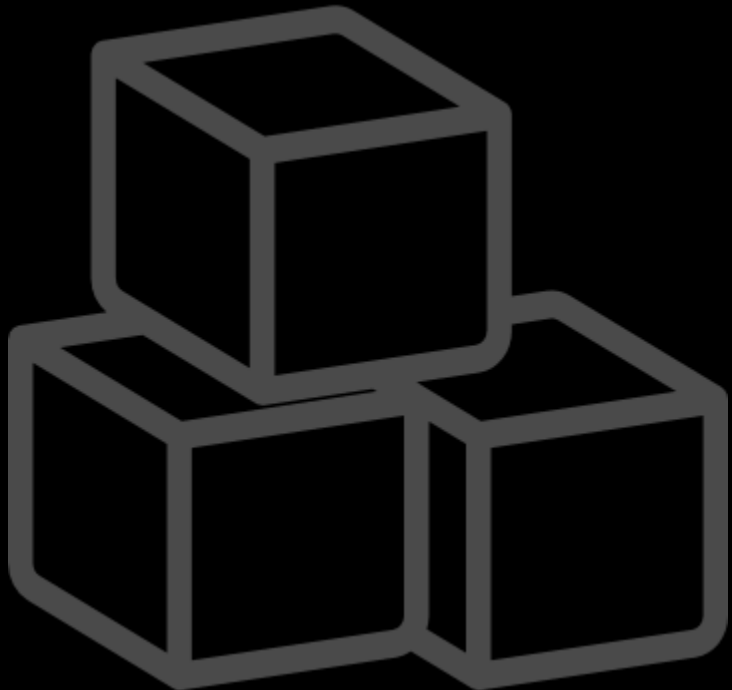
My strength is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

¹⁰ Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches,

¹⁰in needs, in persecutions, in distresses,
for Christ's sake. For when I am weak,
then I am strong.

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Philippians 3:10

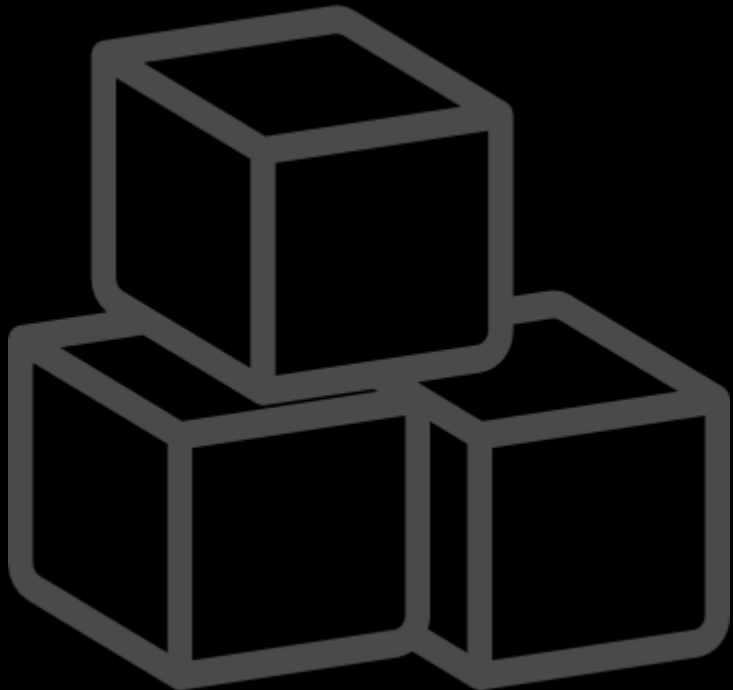
¹⁰That I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death.

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Luke 22:40-46

⁴⁰When He came to the place, He said to them, “Pray that you may not enter into temptation.” ⁴¹And He was withdrawn from them about a stone’s throw, and He knelt down and prayed, ⁴²saying, “Father, if it is Your will, take this cup away from Me; nevertheless

⁴²not My will, but Yours, be done.”

⁴³Then an angel appeared to Him from heaven, strengthening Him. ⁴⁴And being in agony, He prayed earnestly. Then His sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground. ⁴⁵When He rose up from prayer, and had come to His disciples, He found them

⁴⁵sleeping from sorrow. ⁴⁶Then He said to them, “Why do you sleep? Rise and pray, lest you enter into temptation.”



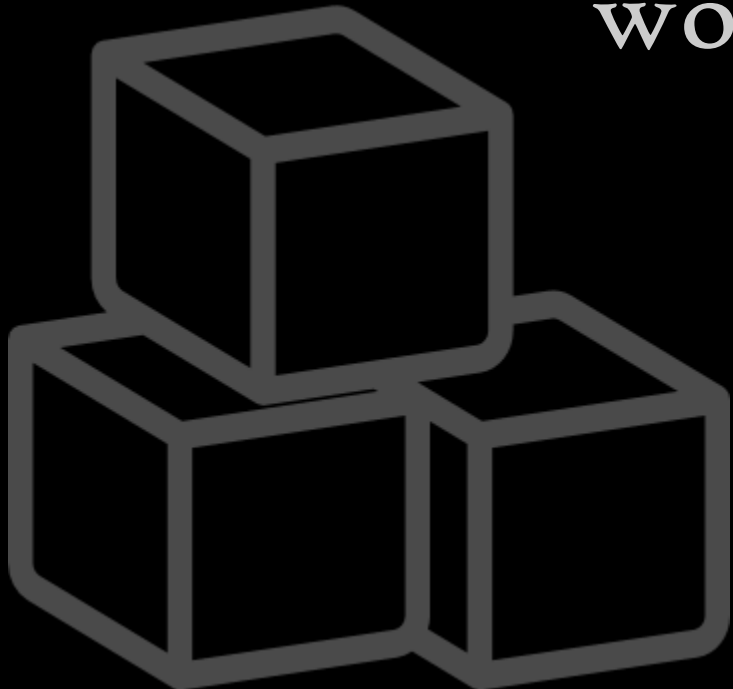
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Genesis 39:8-12

⁸But he refused and said to his master's wife, "Look, my master does not know what is with me in the house, and he has committed all that he has to my hand.

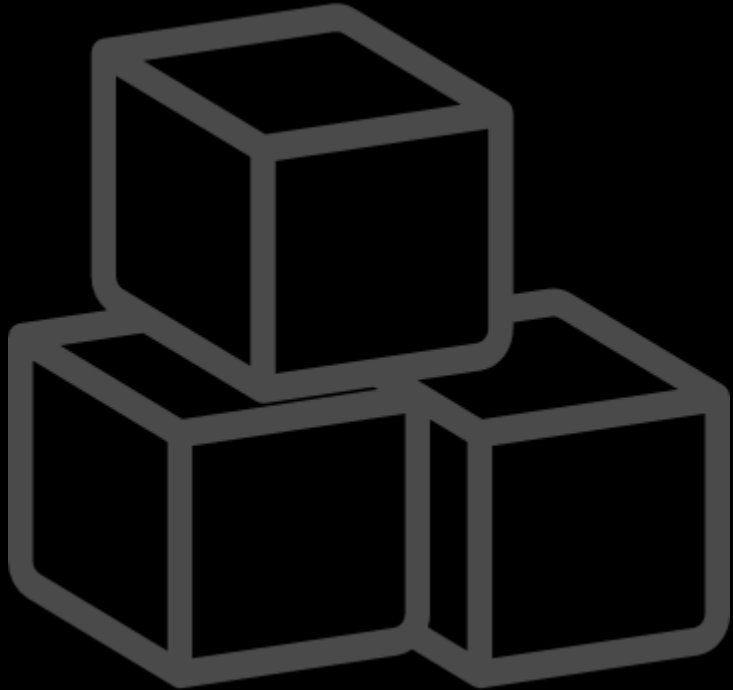
⁹There is no one greater in this house than I, nor has he kept back anything from me but you, because you are

⁹his wife. How then can I do this great wickedness and sin against God?” ¹⁰So it was, as she spoke to Joseph day by day, that he did not heed her to lie with her or to be with her. ¹¹But it happened about this time, when Joseph went into the house to do his work, and none of the men of the house was inside,

¹²that she caught him by his garment, saying, “Lie with me.” But he left his garment in her hand and fled and ran outside.



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