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Jonathan was born into a family of many sisters!

The Edwards family had eleven children and the other ten were girls. His father worked as a pastor.



Because Jonathan's parents loved Jesus, they taught Jonathan about him. Jonathan was unusually smart, and he began learning Latin when he was only six years old.

Jonathan loved to play outside and build forts in the woods. He learned about God through reading the Bible and by looking for God's work in nature. Jonathan was fascinated by all the creatures God had made, especially spiders.



When he was twelve, Jonathan went away to college at a new school called Yale. There he continued to learn about the wonders of God and his amazing world.

At college, Jonathan's faith in Jesus became even stronger. He now knew himself to be truly a Christian. When he passed his college exams at age 17, he gave a special speech in Latin. And he dreamed about being a pastor and teaching people about God through his words written in the Bible.



So Jonathan studied to become a pastor. During that time, he met a girl named Sarah. She was younger than he was, but she loved Jesus and knew her Bible very well. Jonathan wrote her letters and hoped to marry her someday.

When Jonathan was 23 years old, he became the assistant pastor to his grandfather in a town called Northampton. That same year, he married Sarah. For two years, Jonathan's grandfather taught him how to be a pastor.



Then his grandfather died, and the church chose Jonathan to be their new pastor. Jonathan loved studying the Bible and preparing sermons that invited people to enjoy the glories of Jesus.