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   Q: Did your father believe in you? Do you believe in your children, grandchildren, etc.? How do they know? How do you express it?
- Thursday: "It is a wise father that knows his own child."
   William Shakespeare Q: How well do you know your child/children? How can you know them better?
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   George Herbert Q: What can you improve on in 2022 to be a better teacher and leader with your children, grandchildren, etc.?
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