

The Purifying Hope

1 John 2:29-3:3
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The Context of 1 John

- The testimony of the real Jesus is given by the apostles
- We are self-deceived if we say we have no sin
- Jesus “the Righteous” is our advocate
- There are “antichrists” among us
- We have the promise of eternal life

Born from Above

1 John 2:29
If you know that He is righteous, you know that everyone also who practices righteousness is born of Him.

Jesus “the Righteous”

1 John 2:1

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.

Children of God in a Foreign Land

1 John 3:1

See how great a love the Father has bestowed on us, that we would be called children of God; and such we are For this reason the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.

Chosen out of the World

John 15:18-19

If the world hates you, you know that it has hated Me before it hated you. If you were of the world, the world would love its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, because of this the world hates you.

Children of God: Already/Not Yet

1 John 3:2

Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is.

Waiting Eagerly for Redemption

Romans 8:23-25

And not only this, but also we ourselves, having the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our body. For in hope we have been saved, but hope that is seen is not hope; for who hopes for what he already sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, with perseverance we wait eagerly for it.

Our Purifying Expectation

1 John 3:3

And everyone who has this hope fixed on Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

**#1 Imputed *and* Practical
Righteousness Comes from Christ**

Philippians 1:9-11

And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in real knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve the things that are excellent, in order to be sincere and blameless until the day of Christ; having been filled with the fruit of righteousness which comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

**#2 Remember that You are
God's Precious Child**

Ephesians 5:1-2

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children; and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma.

**#3 Fix Your Hope on
the Revelation of Jesus Christ**

1 Peter 1:13

Therefore, prepare your minds for action, keep sober in spirit, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.
