

Gifts of the Incarnation

Purifying Hope

I John 2:28-3:3

1 John 2:28-3:3 (NKJV) *And now, little children, abide in Him, that when He appears, we may have confidence and not be ashamed before Him at His coming. ²⁹If you know that He is righteous, you know that everyone who practices righteousness is born of Him. ¹Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. ²Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. ³And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.*

Because of His incarnation, Jesus gives us:

- **The standard of righteous purity** (1 John 2:6, 29)
- **The means of righteous purity** (2 Corinthians 5:21; Philippians 3:7-9; Titus 2:11-14)
- **The motivation for righteous purity**
(1 John 2:28, 3:1)
- **The practice of righteous purity**
(1 John 1:7, 9; 3:3)
- **The hope of righteous purity**
(1 John 3:3; 2 Corinthians 3:18)