

## Family Likeness

1 John 2:28 – 1 John 3:3

Chris Chrones, Elder – July 2, 2023

### 1 John 2:28-3:3

<sup>28</sup> Now, little children, abide in Him, so that when He appears, we may have confidence and not shrink away from Him in shame at His coming. <sup>29</sup> If you know that He is righteous, you know that everyone also who practices righteousness is born of Him.

**3** <sup>1</sup> 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. <sup>2</sup> 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. <sup>3</sup> And everyone who has this hope *fixed* on Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

### I John 2:28

<sup>28</sup> Now, little children, abide in Him, so that when He appears, we may have confidence and not shrink away from Him in shame at His coming.

- **1 John 2:6** the one who says he abides in Him ought himself to walk in the same manner as He walked.
- **Colossians 1:10** so that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please *Him* in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;
- **1 Thessalonians 2:10** You are witnesses, and *so is* God, how devoutly and uprightly and blamelessly we behaved toward you believers;
- **1 John 2:10** The one who loves his brother abides in the Light and there is no cause for stumbling in him.
- **John 13:34-35** <sup>34</sup> A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”
- **1 Peter 4:8** Above all, keep fervent in your love for one another, because love covers a multitude of sins.
- **1 John 2:24** As for you, let that abide in you which you heard from the beginning. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, you also will abide in the Son and in the Father.
- **1 John 2:27** As for you, the anointing which you received from Him abides in you, and you have no need for anyone to teach you; but as His anointing teaches you about all things, and is true and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you abide in Him.
- **1 John 1:1** What was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the Word of Life—
- **1 John 4:15-17** <sup>15</sup> Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. <sup>16</sup> We have come to know and have believed the love which God has for us. God is love, and the one who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. <sup>17</sup> By this, love is perfected with us, so that we may have confidence in the day of judgment; because as He is, so also are we in this world.
- **John 5:24** “Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life.
- **2 Corinthians 5:10** For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may be recompensed for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

### 1 John 2:29

<sup>29</sup> If you know that He is righteous, you know that everyone also who practices righteousness is born of Him.

- **Ephesians 5:1** Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children;
- **1 Peter 1:14-16** <sup>14</sup> As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts *which were yours* in your ignorance, <sup>15</sup> but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all *your* behavior; <sup>16</sup> because it is written, "YOU SHALL BE HOLY, FOR I AM HOLY."

### 1 John 3:1-2

<sup>1</sup> 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. <sup>2</sup> 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.

- **Genesis 1:26-27** <sup>26</sup> Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." <sup>27</sup> God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.
- **Psalm 8:4-8**  
<sup>4</sup> What is man that You take thought of him,  
And the son of man that You care for him?  
<sup>5</sup> Yet You have made him a little lower than God,  
And You crown him with glory and majesty!  
<sup>6</sup> You make him to rule over the works of Your hands;  
You have put all things under his feet,  
<sup>7</sup> All sheep and oxen,  
And also the beasts of the field,  
<sup>8</sup> The birds of the heavens and the fish of the sea,  
Whatever passes through the paths of the seas.
- **Colossians 1:15** He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.
- **Romans 8:29** For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined *to become* conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren;
- **2 Corinthians 3:18** But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit.

***"Salvation, from start to finish, is an expression of the love of God. We are saved by the grace of God, but the provision for our salvation was originated in the love of God."*** Warren W. Wiersbe

### 1 John 3:3

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

- **Ephesians 4:1** Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called,

**Further reading:** 1 Peter 1:22-25; Revelation 22:12; Romans 2:6; Psalms 11:7; 2 Corinthians 13:5; Matthew 5:45, 48; John 3:20-21