

Seeing God as Father

1 John 2:28-3:10

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Remaining in Him produces confidence at His coming. 2:28

"abide in him, so that when he appears we may have confidence"

Seeing Him as Father allows us to remain in Him. 2:29-3:3

"that we should be called children of God"

Our new birth unleashes the possibility of looking like Him. 2:29

"everyone who practices righteousness has been born of him"

His love for us is beyond our comprehension. 3:1

"see what kind of love the Father has given to us"

Seeing Him for who He is transforms us. 3:2-3

"we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is"

Seeing sin as the enemy of our hearts allows us to remain in Him. 3:4-10

"little children, let no one deceive you"

Sin is the opposite of Christ and abiding in Him. 3:4-6a

"in him there is no sin. No one who abides in Him keeps on sinning"

All sin can be traced back to something I don't see about God. 3:6b

"no one who keeps on sinning has either sin him or knows him"

Sin reflects the one who first sinned. 3:7-8

"whoever makes a practice of sinning is of the devil"

When I am living out of the new life, I will not sin but I will reflect God's love. 3:9-10

"no one born of God makes a practice of sinning; by this it is evident who are the children of God"

APPLICATION ... what do you struggle to "see" about God?

Quotes:

"Whether we are consciously aware of it or not, each of us has painted an image of God on our heart. That image is framed by the experiences of our past and shaped by our present situation." Albert Haase