

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

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**Main Idea: Pursue holiness in light of Christ's return  
because you are God's beloved children**

**I. Pursue holiness... with the goal of confidence at Christ's coming (2:28-29)**

**II. Pursue holiness... because you are God's beloved children (3:1)**

**III. Pursue holiness... with the goal of future glory (3:2-3)**

## **Sermon Study Guide**

(Reminder: The purpose of the questions is to explore the text and themes of the sermon. **Do not feel a need to go through all of the questions.** The goal is to stimulate discussion/reflection and transformation related to the sermon text and themes.)

1. John speaks of Christ's "appearing" in 1 John 2:28 and 3:2. Elsewhere, Paul writes about it in 1 Timothy 6:13-16, and Titus 2:11-13. How much do you think about Christ's second coming? How would it influence and shape you if that future day was more prominent in your mind and heart?
2. John says in 2:29 that those who practice righteousness have been "born of him," that is, regenerated or born again (John 3:3). What is the logical connection between being born of him and practicing righteousness? Which one comes first?
3. What does John mean when he says "what we will be has not yet appeared" (3:2)? Look up Philippians 3:21, Colossians 3:4, and Romans 8:17-19. How can this hope of "glorification" motivate you and put your present experience into perspective?