

JOY COMPLETE:
The Joy of Practicing Righteousness
1 John 3:2-10
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Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure. (vv. 2-3)

WE HAVE _____.

And everyone who thus hopes in him...

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ... (Titus 2:11-13)

WE HAVE A _____.

And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself...

Now in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver but also of wood and clay, some for honorable use, some for dishonorable. Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from what is dishonorable, he will be a vessel for honorable use, set apart as holy, useful to the master of the house, ready for every good work. (2 Timothy 2:20-21)

WE _____ JESUS.

And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

*Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.
(Hebrews 12:1-2)*

ASK YOURSELF...

By this it is evident who are the children of God, and who are the children of the devil: whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor is the one who does not love his brother. (v. 10)

- **Have I been born of God?**
- **Is my hope set on Christ's return?**
- **Am I practicing righteousness or lawlessness?**
- **Am I focused on pleasing Jesus or something else?**

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