

Abiding in Christ – 1 John 2:28-3:3

²⁸ And now, little children, abide in him, so that when he appears we may have confidence and not shrink from him in shame at his coming. ²⁹ If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that everyone who practices righteousness has been born of him.

3 See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ² Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears^[a] we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³ And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Abiding in Christ means to be _____ by Him through His Word

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1. Realizing our assurance is in Christ alone (v28-29a).

Jesus said He came to die to forgive your _____ (Luke 24:45-47)

And give you His _____ (John 17:22)

If you _____ that He is righteous, you can be sure that His words are true.

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2. Realizing our identity is in Christ alone (v28b-3:1).

Your actions do not make you _____, who you are is demonstrated by your actions.

Your identity now is in Christ alone as a _____.

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3. Realizing our hope is in Christ alone (v2).

Our hope to be completely healed from the desire to _____, is in Christ alone, at His second coming.

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4. Realizing our work is for the glory of Christ alone (v3)

Realize that your work to _____ yourself is for Christ's glory alone, not your glory.

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Response (Two R's):

1. _____ this passage this week and be nourished.
2. _____ in "who" God has said you are.