

CONFIDENCE AT HIS COMING

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I. INTRODUCTION

1 John 2:28 And now, dear children, continue in Him, so that when He appears we may be confident and unashamed before Him at His coming.

A. It is so good to know that you are loved and you belong.

1 John 2:12-14 I am writing to you, dear children, because your sins have been forgiven on account of His name. I am writing to you, fathers, because you know Him who is from the beginning. I am writing to you, young men, because you have overcome the evil one. I write to you, dear children, because you know the Father. I write to you, fathers, because you know Him who is from the beginning. I write to you, young men, because you are strong, and the word of God lives in you, and you have overcome the evil one.

B. Every generation is called to lead in the season they are in.

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II. CONTINUE LIVING LIKE JESUS.

1 John 2:5-6 But if anyone obeys His word, love for God is truly made complete in them. This is how we know we are in him: Whoever claims to live in Him must live as Jesus did.

A. Continue in a world of temptation.

1 John 2:15-17 Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world. The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.

B. Continue, and do not give up.

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- **The fact of Jesus' appearing is certain. The timing is uncertain.**

C. We continue because He is appearing.

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III. WE CAN BE CONFIDENT.

A. Present Confidence

1 John 2:2 He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

1. Our present confidence changes how we see others.

1 John 5:14 This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.

2. Our present confidence changes how we pray.

B. Future Confidence

1 John 4:17 This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus.

1. Our future confidence changes how we live.

2. We can be Unashamed.

Hebrews 10:39 But we do not belong to those who shrink back and are destroyed, but to those who have faith and are saved.

3. Will you be ashamed of how you've lived?

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C. Parousia at His Parousia

1. Confidence at His Coming

2. Jesus is coming!

3. Jesus is coming! Are you living like He is?