Walking With God Walking With God, Becoming Like Jesus 1 John 3:1-3

As a sunset Reflects God's glory, WE too should Reflect God's glory.

As we <u>GROW</u> our Relationship & Fellowship with God, <u>One</u> <u>Thing</u> becomes more <u>Apparent</u>...we Start <u>Looking</u> more <u>Like</u> <u>Jesus</u>.

Today, John tells us the <u>Day</u> is <u>Coming</u> when we will <u>See</u> Jesus Christ FACE to FACE, & we will <u>Become</u> like Him for All <u>Eternity</u>.

1. GOD HAS <u>PROVIDED</u> FOR US IN THE <u>PAST</u>. (vv. 1-2a)

- Before Jesus came, no one knew about <u>Unconditional</u> "Agape" LOVE.
- John was Amazed that God would Bring us into a Father-Child Relationship.
- <u>Behold</u> the <u>Love</u> <u>God</u> has <u>Poured</u> out on US that by <u>Believing</u> in Jesus as <u>Savior</u> & <u>Lord</u>, we should be <u>called</u> <u>Children</u> of God.
- That's <u>Great News!</u>

2. GOD HAS A PLAN FOR US IN THE FUTURE. (v.2b)

- Being "LIKE the <u>Son</u> of God" is difficult to comprehend.
- What it Will Be Like "Being Like Jesus.?" (Romans 8:18-19; Philippians 3:21
- We KNOW That He Will Appear. ("Revealed") (Titus 2:11-14)
- We Can KNOW That We Shall Be Like Him. (1 Corinthians 15:51-52)
- We Can KNOW That We Shall See Him As He Is. (2 Corinthians 3:18)

3. GOD HAS A <u>PURPOSE</u> FOR THE <u>PRESENT</u>. (v.3)

- In the Bible, <u>Everywhere</u> you *Find a Word* about the <u>FUTURE</u>, you also *Find a Word* about <u>TODAY</u>.
- <u>WHY</u> would we Want to <u>Purify Ourselves</u>? In a word...<u>LOVE</u>.
- Living a Pure Life is OUR <u>Response</u> of <u>THANKS</u> for what <u>He's done for us</u>.
- The <u>More</u> we <u>Know</u> about <u>God's Love for US</u>, the <u>Less Likely</u> we will be to <u>Break</u> His Heart by <u>LIVING</u> in a <u>Sinful or Impure Way</u>. (1 John 2:6; 2:28)

•	We should <u>Want</u> our lives to bring Him <u>Glory</u> & that's What <u>Happens</u> when we " <u>Purify</u> ourselves just as He is <u>Pure</u> ."	