

A Study of 1 John

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Lesson 11: "7th Test: Purifying Hope and Eagerness" 1 John 2:28 thru 3:1-3

Let's look at some ways we can abide in Christ because we know from our lesson that abiding in Christ produces perseverance and whoever perseveres is a true believer.

Read Galatians 6:9...What will we produce if we don't give up?

Read Romans 12:12....What 3 things are we to do when abiding in Christ?

Read James 1:12... What are we promised if we persevere?

We want to be seen as blameless when Christ returns; therefore we wait eagerly for His return. There is a theme running all throughout 1 John, and that is practicing righteousness.

Read Matthew 6:1 and 2 Timothy 3:16-17 and note what it says about practicing righteousness.

A good way to think of how to practice righteousness is that it is the opposite of practicing sin. The following is a great definition of practicing righteousness:

A purity of life; a right thinking, acting or feeling

What are some ways in which you can practice righteousness in your everyday life?

- -with your friends:
- -with your husband and/or kids:
- -with your coworkers:
- -with your entertainment choices:
- -with your relatives:

Be sure to read Chapter 3 verse 1 in 1 John and examine yourself to see if you have that level of gratitude being conveyed there. Are you bursting forth with love and appreciation that your Savior is one day coming back for you? If not, ask Him to give you a hunger for His return as you long to see Him face to face.