



Part 5: Seeing Yourself as God Sees You 1 John 3:1-10

1. A New

“How great is the love the Father has lavished on us that we should be called the Children of God. And that is what we are.” 1 John 3:1

“So that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ.” Eph. 3:17-18

“If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation: the old has gone, the new has come! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ. . .” II Cor 5:17-18

“God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.” II Cor 5:21

2. A New

“Now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when he appears, we shall be like him. . .” 1 John 3:2

John states in Chapter 5: “I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.” 1 John 5:13

3. A New

“Everyone who sins breaks the law; in fact, sin is lawlessness.” 1 John 3:4

“But you know that he appeared so that he might take away our sins” 1 John 3:5

HOW? By God's Grace alone (Ephesians 2:8-9)

“Abraham believed God and it was credited to him as righteousness.” Romans 4:3 & See Genesis 15:6

“David says the same thing when he speaks of the blessedness of the one to whom God credits righteousness apart from works.” Romans 4:6 & Psalm 32:1-2

“No one who is born of God will continue to sin, because God's seed remains in him; he cannot go on sinning, because he was born of God.” 1 John 3:9

Daily Meditations

Spend time each day this week meditating on today's topic!

This week's memory verse:

“How great is the love of the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.” 1 John 3:1

Monday

In what area of your life do you struggle with seeing yourself as God sees you? Why do you think that is?

Look over the notes and verses from this past weekend. What truth did you learn about seeing yourself as God sees you?

How can seeing yourself as God sees you impact your life and relationships?

Thank God today for his gift of salvation and righteousness. Thank Him for seeing you in your full potential. Talk to Him about your struggles to see yourself as He sees you. Ask Him to help you grow in that area of your life.

Tuesday

Read 1 John 3:1 & 2 Corinthians 5:17-18, 21. Where in your actions or thinking are you struggling to live like a “new creation”? What do these verses tell you about your identity in Christ?

How can knowing your identity in Christ impact your actions and thoughts?

Write down three ways the Lord has lavished love on you:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Thank God today for His love lavished on you. Thank Him for the transformation He has brought to your life. Ask Him to help you live more and more like a “new creation” as the days go by.

Wednesday

Read John 10:27-30, 1 John 3:2 & 5:13. What causes you to doubt your place in Christ? How does doubt change how you see yourself? According to these verses, what is the security you have in Christ?

How does your security in Christ impact how you see yourself?

How can being secure in God impact your relationships this week?

Thank God today that you are secure in Him and that your place in Christ is not up to your effort or good works. Pray that you will grow in confidence in Christ and that your relationships will be impacted by your faith.

Thursday

Read Romans 3:23-24 & 1 John 3:3-5. Write down two things these verses teach you about sin and purity:

- 1.
- 2.

How does God see you?

When is it most difficult for you to accept the gift of purity that God has given you?

How would fully understanding that God sees you as pure impact your life? Your relationships?

Thank God today that regardless of your past He declares you to be pure. Ask Him for His strength to resist the sins that you continue to commit. Pray that you'll see yourself as God sees you and be motivated to live differently!

Friday

Read Romans 2:3-4, Ephesians 2:8-9 & 1 John 3:6-10. These sets of verses are representative of the balance between God's grace and forgiveness and the impact of our life choices. What is most striking to you about this?

Spend some time honestly before God today. Ask Him to help you take an inventory of your heart and point out where you are allowing sin to take root. Ask Him for strength and a willingness to let go of the sins you are harboring.

What changes will you make in actions and thoughts to loosen the grip on the sins you struggle with?

Thank God today that He doesn't leave you alone to fight sin and change. Thank Him that you have been declared righteous in His sight. Pray for a heart that longs to live in that righteousness and in His power.

Saturday

Take the time today to go over any devotions you may have missed and to complete your memorization of this week's verse. Pray for the ministry this weekend! Thanks!