



# Pastor Jeff's Daily Devotion

## Day 8

### January 18, 2010

#### Day Eight

#### 1 John 3:1-3

**<sup>1</sup>How great is the love 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. <sup>2</sup>Dear friends, 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, for we shall see Him as He is. <sup>3</sup>Everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.**

It is much like a poor kid that is adopted by the king. This is the thought of so much love lavished on us. This love is shown on us that we could be called the son or daughter of God. The true God! The God of the universe! The God who created everything! That is our Father. This love is shown to us by sending Christ to pay our sin debt. This passage makes it clear that NOW we are children of God. Not just something that will happen in the future.

This is the reason that God's children don't fit in this world. When this world is all you have then you live different than when you are His child. We will look strange because we don't run after what everybody else runs after.

Our future is wrapped up in Him. We shall be like Him because we will see Him as He really is. I don't know what this totally means, but it says we will be like Him. My mind can dream about all that means, but the thing I can celebrate is that my future is secure because the Father lavished His love on me.

If I am His child, I will have a desire to purify myself because He is pure. This is a process and notice that I have a part in it.

Lord, today's truth is too wonderful to grasp. Let me live today in the joy that I am your child.