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Redeemer Weekly

The Newsletter of Redeemer Church, Piketon, OH



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WHEN HE SHALL APPEAR

1 John 3:1-3



Earl K. Boothe
Elder

There is a day coming when we shall see our Savior. The burdens we carry will finally be laid down, and the sin that troubles our hearts will trouble us no more. Christ will appear, and His people will be made like Him. What a precious hope God has given His children!

This Sunday, we turn to 1 John 3:1–3, where the apostle begins by calling us to behold the Father's love: "Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God." Every blessing that follows rests upon that gracious love. Our place in God's family has been secured through Jesus Christ, and even now, amid our weakness and struggles, we belong to Him.

Yet there is more to come. John writes, "Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be." We still experience the sorrow and frailty of life in a fallen world. We bury those we love. We battle sins we long to leave behind. We feel the passing years. Through it all, the promise stands: "when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is."

Our hope rests in the living Christ and His promised bodily return. The Saviour who rose from the grave will come again, and the redemption He purchased for His people will reach its glorious completion. We shall behold Him with joy.

That expectation also shapes how we live today. John tells us that everyone who has this hope in Christ "purifieth himself, even as he is pure." The assurance of His appearing stirs our desire to walk faithfully with Him now. Grace teaches us to love the holiness we shall one day possess in its fullness.

As we gather for worship, may the Lord turn our eyes toward that promised day. Our Father's love is certain. His children are secure in Christ. And when He shall appear, we shall be like Him. - JB

REDEEMER CHURCH OF PIKETON OHIO
Sunday Worship November 1, 2026
11:30 AM

"Proclaiming The Gospel of God's Free and Sovereign Grace"

Elder
Keith Boothe

Elder
Jason Boothe

Lector
Greg Flannery

Organist
Cody Conners

Prelude — **Cody Conners**

Call to Worship — **Jason Boothe**
Psalm 34:1-10,22

Opening Hymn
"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing" • Sing! Hymnal #10

Scripture Reading — **Greg Flannery**
Revelation 7:9-17

Gospel Reading — **Keith Boothe**
Matthew 5:1-12

Pastoral Prayer — **Keith Boothe**

Hymn of Preparation
"I Cannot Tell" • Sing! Hymnal #154

Preaching of the Word — **Jason Boothe**
"We He Shall Appear"
1 John 3:1-3

Closing Hymn
"It Is Well With My Soul" • Sing! Hymnal #687

Benediction — **Keith Boothe**
"Now Unto Him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Savior, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever, Amen."
— Jude 24,25

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-STUDENT DEVOTIONAL-

YOUR FUTURE IS SAFE WITH JESUS

1 JOHN 3:1-3

Have you ever wondered what you will be like when you are older? Perhaps you imagine driving your first car or finding a job you enjoy. Growing up brings plenty of questions. Sometimes those questions are exciting. Sometimes they make us nervous.

God has not told us every detail about our future. But He has given those who trust in Christ a wonderful promise:
"Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is."

Before John tells us what Christians will become, he reminds us who we are now: God's children. Think about how much effort people put into being accepted. You might feel pressure to wear certain clothes or act a certain way so that others will include you. That can be exhausting.

God's love comes to us freely through Jesus Christ. We could never earn our place in His family. Jesus lived in perfect righteousness, died for the sins of His people, and rose again. Our acceptance with God rests upon Him. If you are trusting in Christ, you belong to a Father who knows you completely and cares for you. You can bring Him the worries you find difficult to explain to anyone else.

Jesus Will Come Again
Jesus truly rose from the dead, and He will truly return. When He appears, His people will see Him.
John also says that "we shall be like him." That does not mean we will become God. It means that Christ will make His people holy and free from sin, and our resurrected bodies will share in the the glory of His risen life.
Imagine loving others without selfishness getting in the way. Imagine never again feeling the pull to lie or hurt someone with your words. The struggle with sin will finally be over. We will enjoy life with our Saviour forever.

Hope Changes Today
What does that future have to do with school tomorrow or an argument with your brother or sister?

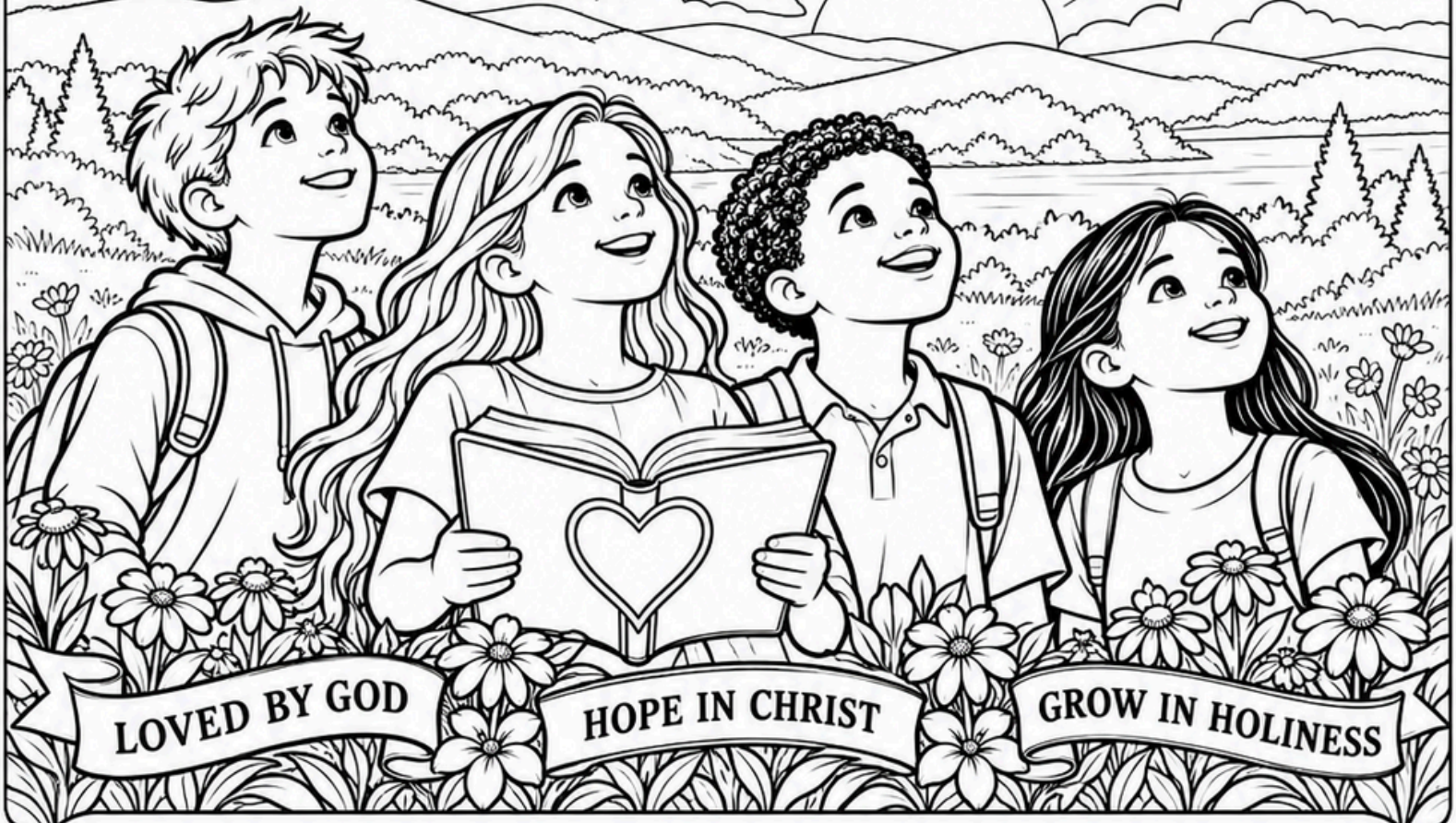
John tells us:
"And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure."
1 John 3:3

Knowing that we will see Jesus gives us a reason to follow Him today. Because we belong to Him, we want our choices to please Him.

That might mean admitting you were wrong after an argument. It could mean refusing to join in when someone becomes the target of a group chat. Following Jesus reaches into ordinary moments.
You will still stumble. When you do, confess your sin to God and ask Him for help. Your confidence rests in the Saviour who forgives and keeps His people. He is still at work in you. You do not have to know everything about your future to trust the One who holds it.

When He Shall Appear

1 John 3:1–3



when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

1 John 3:2 (KJV)

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STUDY NOTES

SERMON TITLE: _____

SCRIPTURE REFERENCE: _____

PREACHER / TEACHER: _____



WHAT IS THE MAIN POINT OR THEME OF THIS MESSAGE?

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KEY QUOTE OR BIBLE VERSE(S):

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KEY POINTS



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1 JOHN

Assurance, Love, and Life in Christ

THE HEART OF THE LETTER

God gives eternal life through His Son. His children walk in the light, love one another, and await the day when Christ appears and they shall be like Him.

AUTHORSHIP & HISTORICAL SETTING

Traditionally attributed to the apostle John, this letter is commonly dated near the end of the first century and associated with churches in Asia Minor. The writer does not name himself. False teachers had departed from the fellowship (2:19), and John writes to affirm the truth about Jesus, strengthen believers in assurance, and encourage holy living.

KEY THEMES

1. **The incarnate Son**
   Jesus Christ truly came in the flesh. Eternal life is revealed in Him (1:1–3; 4:2).
2. **Walking in the light**
   God is light. Believers confess their sins and depend on Christ's cleansing blood (1:5–2:2).
3. **The Father's gracious love**
   God's children owe their new life and love to Him: He first loved us (3:1; 4:19).
4. **Love for one another**
   Love takes practical form in caring for fellow believers (3:16–18; 4:7–12).
5. **Assurance of eternal life**
   Those who believe on the Son may know that they have eternal life (5:11–13).
6. **Hope in Christ's appearing**
   We shall see Him and be like Him. This hope encourages purity today (3:2–3).

INTERPRETIVE CHALLENGES

1. **Sin and the believer (1:8–2:2; 3:6–9)**
   John acknowledges believers' sins while insisting that new birth transforms their relationship to sin. Read these passages together.
2. **Testing the spirits (4:1–6)**
   Spiritual claims must be tested by the truth about Jesus Christ and the apostolic witness.
3. **The sin unto death (5:16–17)**
   Christians differ over this difficult expression. John calls believers to prayer and warns of sin's seriousness.

BASIC OUTLINE

1:1–4	The Word of life and fellowship
1:5–2:17	Light, obedience, and love
2:18–27	Truth and false teachers
2:28–3:24	God's children and holy living
4:1–21	Testing spirits and loving others
5:1–21	Faith, assurance, and eternal life

READ & REFLECT

How does the promise of seeing Christ shape the way you live and love today?

"when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is."

1 JOHN 3:2, KJV

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REFLECT CHRIST'S LOVE

"Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will repay him for his deed." **PROVERBS 19:17**

REDEEMER WEEKLY

A PERSONAL INVITATION CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Who Will You Invite This Week?



We want everyone to hear the Gospel of God's Free and Sovereign Grace in Christ.

Church family, let us prayerfully seek the growth of our congregation by inviting friends, family, neighbors, and coworkers to worship with us. A simple invitation may open the door to a meaningful conversation and an opportunity to hear the Gospel.

PRAY

Ask the Lord to open hearts and give you opportunities to invite someone.

INVITE

Say, "Will you join me at church this Sunday? I would love to have you come."

WELCOME

Offer a ride, meet them at the door, and invite them to sit with you.

Think of one person. Extend an invitation this week.



EVERYONE IS INVITED.

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