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If God is Your Father. . .

1 John 3:1-3

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1 See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. 3 And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

1) If God is your Father, you are loved. (v1a)

“See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are.”

“12 But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, 13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.”

John 1:12-13

2) If God is your Father, you have struggles. (vs1-2)

a) Struggles with the world. (v1b)

“The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him.”

b) Struggles with sin. (v2a)

“Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared”

3) If God is your Father, you will be changed. (v2b)

“but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is.”

4) If God is your Father, you are changing. (v3)

“And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.”