

The Race – Where Should Our Focus Be? – Part III

Hebrews 12:2

I. The Reason For The Believer's Hope – I John 3:1-3.

A. This hope is for believers.

B. As great as it is to be a child of God, there is something far greater in store.

C. How will we be like Jesus?

1. Philippians 3:20-21.

2. I Corinthians 13:12.

3. I Corinthians 15:54.

4. I John 3:2.

D. No wonder John says “He who has this hope” – I John 3:3.

II. The Response Of The Believer In Heaven To Seeing Jesus.

A. Two examples of those who saw Him.

B. How saints respond to seeing Jesus in heaven.

III. **The Response Of Believers Here And Now – I John 3:3.**

A. It does not puff up, it purifies.

B. It does not give license to sin, it purifies.

C. The Holy Spirit will help us purify ourselves.

D. How do we purify ourselves?

1. We note the _____ of the Lord Jesus.

2. We pray that God would give us a _____
conscience toward sin.

3. We keep our _____ upon the Lord Jesus.

4. We will be _____ by the lives of others.

5. We will put ourselves under a _____-searching
ministry.

6. We will set _____ as our standard.

7. We will dwell on _____ things.