

we shall be like Him

1 John 3:1–3

Believers should pursue Christlikeness because we will be glorified when we are with Christ.

- Glorification is guaranteed by God's eternal, electing love for us in Jesus Christ (v. 1a; cf. Rom 8:30).
- Glorification means that we live as foreigners in this world like Jesus Christ did (v. 1b; cf. Rom 8:23–25).
- Glorification will free us from sin and all its effects, making us pure like Jesus Christ (v. 2; cf. Heb 2:10).
- Glorification compels us to pursue Christlike holiness now (v. 3; cf. Rom 13:11–12).

What response should our future glorification provoke today?

- A renewed thanksgiving for God's eternal love and Christ's finished work.
- A renewed perspective of our earthly existence.
- A renewed zeal to pursue Christlikeness.