

Rising Above the World

1 John 3:1-3

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- **Fear God and keep His commandments.** *Eccl 12:13; Matt 7:21*
- **Love the Lord.** *Mark 12:29-30; John 14:15*
- **Shine as lights.** *Matt 5:14-16*
- **Walk as children of God.** *1 John 3:1-3; Phil 2:14-16*

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- **Have a desire to know God's word.**
 - **Allows us to grow.** *1 Pet 2:1-2*
 - **Requires diligence.** *2 Tim 2:15*
 - **Seek to grow in understanding.**
Heb 5:12-14
 - **Keeps us obedient to God.** *Heb 4:11-13*

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- **Have no fellowship with darkness.**
Eph 5:8-16
 - *“Walk as children of light”*
 - *“when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible” (vs 13, ESV)*
 - *“Awake . . . Arise . . . Christ will give you light”*

Conclusion

- Rising above the world will affect our...
 - Morality.
 - Priorities.
 - Families.
 - Times of Discouragement.
 - Pursuit of happiness.
 - Perspective on life.