

Called Children of God

1 John 3:1 says: See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. We are God's children now by the declaration of the Father acting in Christ to restore us to himself. In Baptism, we have the seal of that promise applied to us by water and the Word. That means we have membership in God's family is by grace alone. It is the gift of God [Eph 2:8-9]. This means our names are in the Lamb's Book of Life (Rev. 21:27).

Knowing whose we are empowers us to live our lives to the fullest extent in serving God and those around us. It makes us Christ's ambassadors.