

# Living Above Mediocrity

(Psalm 42:1-2; 119:174-175)

- Introduction:
1. Often we find ourselves struggling with our faith. Not that we are on the verge of losing our faith, but we struggle to keep our faith alive and vibrant.
  2. How many of us have felt that we are simply going through the motions?
  3. If I were to ask you today, "How is your spiritual walk with God?" how would you answer?
  4. If you find yourself in a spiritual lull, then this lesson is for you.
  5. I believe that remembering the following two facts will help us keep our faith alive and vibrant.

## I. To Live Spiritual Lives, We Must Know Who We Are

- A. We are children of God!
- B. (1 John 3:1).
- C. I think we sometimes lose that childlike awe of our Father.
- D. Metaphors of birth (John 3:3-5) and adoption (Ephesians 1:5) are used in reference to us.

## II. To Live Spiritual Lives, We Must Know What We Possess

- A. We have the forgiveness of sins.
  1. (Romans 8:1-2).
  2. (1 John 1:7).
- B. We have the promise of God's abiding love and presence.
  1. (Matthew 28:19-20).
  2. (Hebrews 13:5).
  3. (1 Peter 5:7).
- C. We are heirs of heaven.
  1. (Galatians 4:7).
  2. (Ephesians 2:7).

- Conclusion:
1. If you're a Christian, life is too good to mope around!
  2. Remember who you are!
  3. Remember what you possess!
  4. And face each day with renewed zeal, joy, and commitment.