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- How will you be satisfied? God will **provide** (Psalm 107:9).
  - For those who long for righteousness, **God satisfies** them *in* Jesus.
- How do you become a child of God?
  - Not by **birthright** (Rom 9:8)
  - Not by your **ability**
  - Only by **receiving** Christ
- Children of God are evident by their **earnest desire** to act righteously.
  - Only Christ can **destroy** the **works** of the devil (sin).
- (2 Cor 5:21) The result of **becoming** the righteousness of God, is a life of righteousness **before** God.

To all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

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