

## (Doing What Jesus Did series)

- Also read 1 John 2:28-3:3

### Chat with the Children

- What do you get achievement awards for at school?
  - What could we award achievement awards for here in church?
    - wonderful cups of tea?
    - very clean loos?
    - lovely music?
    - explaining about God in Bodybuilders?
  - Point is the **well done!**
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### Introduction

- Recap on series:
  - modelling our ministry on Jesus' ministry
  - key features seen in Mark1
  - **identifying with people... empowered by the Spirit...**
- Today: affirmed by God

### You are my child

- Did Jesus not know who he was?
  - **"Why were you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?" (Luke 2:49)**
  - but God still **affirmed him** in that identity
- **Do we know our identity in Christ?**
  - not servants, but sons

### Whom I love

- Again, did Jesus not know that he was loved?
  - knew that intimate relationship in the trinity from before the dawn of time...?
  - but God still expresses his love...
  - as we do in healthy human relationships...
- **Do we know what God thinks of us?**
  - loves us, not hopes better from us

### With you I am well pleased

- Jesus is at this point poised for ministry:
  - and its at this point that God affirms Jesus' capability
  - "You can do it!"
- **Do we know what God might do with us?**
  - capable and ready to be used for his glory!
- **(All because we are empowered by the Spirit....)**