

HOPE AND HOLINESS

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You should live a holy life because your God is holy.

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Discussion Guide

- What comes to mind when you think of the word *holy*?
- Have you ever asked the question, "Is it worth trying to live like Jesus if Jesus is going to allow *this* to happen?"
- For the most part, do the Christians you know embrace the world, separate from the world, or engage the world?
- Why do you think both Peter (1Pet. 1:13-14) and Paul (Rom. 12:1-2) reference our minds when calling us to "not be conformed?"
- Read **Isaiah 6:1-4**. Describe from this passage how God is holy? In what way is he different from us? Can you try to describe the scene in your own words?
- Thinking about Jesus as our example, in what ways should Christians be different than the world?
- How would your family describe you? How would your coworkers describe you? Are you distinct?
- How might you describe the cost of Jesus' sacrifice to someone who is not a Christian?
- Describe how you study the Bible.
- How influential is God's Word in your daily life?
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