- 1 Chronicles 16:29 ...worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness
- 2 Chronicles 20:21 ...appointed singers unto the Lord & that should praise the <u>beauty</u> of holiness, as they went out before the army...
- Psalms 29:2 ...worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
- Psalms 96:9 O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
  - Beauty of holiness NOT the misery of holiness.
     NOT the torment of holiness.
     NOT the bondage of holiness.
  - Holiness is a beautiful thing! something holy is sacred, set apart, consecrated.

(Jerimiah 2:3 Israel was holiness unto the Lord)

- Holiness is God's plan for man
  - (We are too great a creation for sin)
- Holiness is the natural order of things in God's Kingdom
  - o God Is Holy
  - o Holy Bible
  - Holy Spirt
  - Holy Child Jesus
- 1 Thessalonians 4:1-8 (ref)
  - Vs 7. "God has not called us to uncleanness, but unto holiness."
- Holiness is Jesus living in and through us in any given situation or station in life.
  - Galatians 2:20 (ref)
  - Colossians 1:27 (ref)
    - Christ in me as a husband/father/pastor
- Holiness is my response to un-holy people
  - Non-condemning
     No condescending spirit
  - No self righteousness
  - o Eg. "Gas Station"

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- God chastens us to bring forth holiness
- "Follow peace with all men & holiness without which no man shall see the Lord."
- #1 Whose holiness must we have to see the Lord? (Ours or His)
- #2 I am not living Holy to see God or be accepted. Holiness causes people to see God in our lives Matthew 5:16 (ref)
- #3 Holiness is not to get God to love us.

  Romans 5:8 (ref).

  John 14:15 "If ye love me, keep my commandments."
- #4 Holiness is not to avoid Gods wrath.

  Jesus bore Gods wrath (Galatians 3:13).
- #5 Holiness is not so I can go to heaven (Ephesians 2:6). Holiness is heaven coming TO us.
- #6 I'm not living holy to be made righteous. 1 Corinthians 15:34 (KJV) Romans 6:22-23 (KJV)

## [Why Holiness?]

#1 It is our new nature in Christ
(2 Corinthians 5:21 / Romans 5:19 / Ephesians 4:22-24)
Fruit is a by-product

## [Take Away]

How does your concept of holiness compare to the message? Holiness is heaven coming TO us.