

being human

IN HIM WE LIVE AND MOVE AND HAVE OUR BEING



BOOK 3, CHAPTER 1 Sent Beings: Priests

THIS WEEK Holiness

There's this extraordinary claim in the New Testament that Jesus "made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father." How weird is it to think of yourself as a priest?! And yet, that's exactly what we become when we follow Jesus.

Believe it or not, you have been chosen in Jesus and set apart from the world to bear spiritual power and authority in a way that will bless the people God has placed around you. Whose job is it to pray for people or tell them the good news God has for them? That's a priest's job and it's our job!

ICE BREAKER

What's the holiest thing in your house?

BOTTOM LINE

You were saved to be sanctified.

GROUPS SCRIPTURE

Read about Jesus calling His disciples to holiness in the Sermon on the Mount: Matthew 5:13-20 and 7:13-20.

CHECK OUT TODAY'S SCRIPTURE & VIDEO AND TAKE TIME TO DISCUSS A QUESTION OR TWO FROM EACH SECTION.

LEARNING HIS STORY

1. If salt keeps things from rotting, in what sense would disciples of Jesus help keep the world around them from going bad?
2. If light reveals things that were hidden, what kinds of things should be noticeable when a disciple of Jesus is in the room?
3. If the way that leads to life is narrow and hard, how should disciples of Jesus adjust their expectations regarding companionship?

EXAMINING OUR STORY

4. When you think of holiness, are you more likely to think of morals (e.g. don't lie, don't steal) or of characteristics (e.g. love, patience)?
5. In what sense(s) would you consider yourself holy?

FINDING A NEW STORY

6. In what ways are each of these seeming contradictions true?
 - 1) The holiest people are not easy to be around.
 - 2) The holiest people are the most pleasant to be around.
7. How can we prevent our set-apartness from becoming a license for arrogance instead of an assignment to love well?



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