

HOLINESS

Holiness For Today

WHAT IS HOLINESS? The Bible teaches us that holiness is one of the attributes of God, necessitating His condemnation of sin, and setting before men their highest possible aspiration – to be holy as God is holy!

1 Peter 1:15-16 *But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.*

The Hebrew word “qodesh” and the Greek word “hagiosune” mean “_____.” Therefore, scholars define holiness to mean “separate” or “apart.”

Being holy does not only mean withdrawing _____ something, it means withdrawing _____ something.

Hebrews 12:14 *Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord:*

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24 ²³*And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. ²⁴Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.*

Paul is teaching three important concepts about sanctification:

- That sanctification is a process of _____
- That we are sanctified through _____
- That sanctification involves _____ parts of man’s being

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Time			
Experience	I was saved	I am being saved	I will be saved
Theological Term	Justified	Sanctified	Glorified
I am saved from sin's			
My holiness before God is	Positional	Experiential	Eternal
My personal righteousness is	Imputed	Imparted	Implanted
Sanctification occurs in my			

- **MOST ISSUES OF HOLINESS ARE NOT _____ ISSUES; THEY ARE _____ ISSUES. ONLY AS WE DO NOT OBEY GOD IN THESE AREAS DOES OUR WILLFUL _____ BECOME A SALVATION ISSUE.**
- **The battle for holiness (sanctification) is won or lost in the _____. On one side in this battle is our redeemed _____ directing us to do good; on the other side is our unredeemed _____ tempting us to do evil.**

Romans 7:18-23 ¹⁸For I know that in me (that is, in my **flesh**,) dwelleth no good thing: for to **will** is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not. ¹⁹For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do. ²⁰Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me. ²¹I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me. ²²For I delight in the law of God after the **inward man**: ²³But I see another law in my **members**, warring against the law of my **mind**, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my **members**.

Romans 8:5-9 ⁵For they that are after the **flesh** do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the **Spirit** the things of the Spirit. ⁶For to be **carnally minded** is death; but to be **spiritually minded** is life and peace. ⁷Because the **carnal mind** is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be. ⁸So then they that are in the **flesh** cannot please God. ⁹But ye are not in the **flesh**, but in the **Spirit**, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

Romans 12:1-2 ¹I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your **bodies** a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. ²And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your **mind**, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

SEVEN HOLINESS PRINCIPLES:

1. Holiness involves both the “negative” concept of _____ and the “positive” concept of _____.

2 Corinthians 6:17-7:1 ¹⁷ Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, ¹⁸ And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty. ^{7:1} Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

2. We are not saved _____ works, but we are saved _____ works.

Ephesians 2:8-10 ⁸ For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: ⁹ Not of works, lest any man should boast. ¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

James 2:17-18 ¹⁷ Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone. ¹⁸ Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.

3. Holiness is not a _____ of earning salvation, but a _____ of experiencing it.

Titus 3:5, 8 ⁵ Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost ... ⁸ This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men.

4. God demands an _____ witness of our _____ holiness.

Matthew 5:16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

5. God gives us three _____ to show us how to live a life that pleases Him.

- The _____ (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
- Spiritual _____ (Ephesians 4:11-16)
- The _____ (John 14:26, 16:13, 1 John 2:27)

6. The Bible teaches us three kinds of holiness standards that God expects every _____ Christian to adhere to.

- _____ Standards
- _____ Standards
- _____ Standards

7. Because holiness principles deal more with our _____ than with our _____, God's Word emphasizes them differently for _____ and for _____.

1 Timothy 2:8-10 ⁸I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up **holy hands**, without **wrath** and **doubting**. ⁹In like manner also, that women **adorn** themselves in **modest apparel**, with **shamefacedness and sobriety**; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array; ¹⁰But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.

- The **WOMAN'S** primary problem areas with holiness are:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

- The **MAN'S** primary problem areas with holiness are:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

- These are _____, because of the distinct natures the sexes were created with.

- For both women and men, holiness begins on the _____ and must be demonstrated on the _____.