

## Living Holy In A Sinful World

Essential Actions, Eternal Consequences-(4)

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**OPENING SCRIPTURE:** Hebrews 12:1-14

**KEY VERSE:** Hebrews 12:14

**TEXT:** 2 Corinthians 6:14-18 and 7:1

**KEY VERSE:** 1 Peter 1:16

**1 Peter 1:16** Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

Only when we live holy will we be able to truly serve the Lord.

1) What's Your \_\_\_\_\_?

2) Who Lives \_\_\_\_\_?

3) Honor God Through \_\_\_\_\_.

## Holiness Evaluation

How do I know if something is holy? Here are some temptations that can be evaluated. Choose an item from the list to evaluate it by using the questions that follow. These questions can be used to evaluate any other temptation as well.

Gossip                                      Surfing the Internet  
Substance Use                              Dating a non-Christian  
Having sex outside of marriage

**The Questions to ask:**

- 1) **Will it hurt me?**  
(1 Corinthians 3:16-17; 6:15)
- 2) **Does it offend others?**  
(1 Corinthians 10:29-33)
- 3) **Is it habit-forming?**  
(1 Corinthians 6:12; 10:23)
- 4) **Is it characteristic of culture or of God?** (1 John 2:15)
- 5) **If I have doubts about it, should I do it?** (Romans 14:23)
- 6) **What does my pastor say?**  
(Hebrews 13:7, 17)

**Text:**  
**2 Corinthians**  
**6:14-18, 7:1**

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**Be ye holy;**  
**for I am holy.**  
**(1 Peter 1:16)**

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**We serve God**  
**from a repentant and**  
**obedient heart**  
**because our nature**  
**has been changed.**

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**You show me someone  
who is having trouble  
living a holy life  
and I will show you  
someone who  
has not changed  
the way they think.**

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**Change  
the way you think and  
you will change  
the things you do.**

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**Only when we live holy  
will we be able to  
truly serve the Lord.**

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**1) What's Your  
Connection?**

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**Be ye not unequally yoked together  
with unbelievers:  
for what fellowship hath  
righteousness with  
unrighteousness?  
and what communion  
hath light with darkness?  
(2 Corinthians 6:14)**

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**The world  
fellowships in sin,  
Christians fellowship  
in righteousness.**

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**Who wants a piece  
of moldy bread?**

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**If you are not living  
a holy life, then  
your life is like  
moldy bread.**

**It was created  
for one thing,  
but now it stinks,  
your heart is hardened,  
and the mold  
turns people away.**

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References:  
  
**Acts 2:46-47**

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**1) What's Your  
Connection?**  
  
**2) Who Lives  
In You?**

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**And what agreement hath  
the temple of God with idols? For  
ye are the temple of the living God;  
as God hath said,  
I will dwell in them,  
and walk in *them*;  
and I will be their God,  
and they shall be my people.  
(2 Corinthians 6:16)**

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**Holiness  
is not immediate;  
it is a growth process.**

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**Living a holy lifestyle  
allows us to enjoy  
an abundant life.**

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

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Key Verse:

**Because it is written,  
Be ye holy;  
for I am holy.  
(1 Peter 1:16)**

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**Wherefore come out from  
among them, and be ye separate,  
saith the Lord, and touch not  
the unclean *thing*;  
and I will receive you,  
(2 Corinthians 6:17)**

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**Give unto the LORD the glory *due*  
unto his name: bring an offering,  
and come before him:  
worship the LORD  
in the beauty of holiness.  
(1 Chronicles 16:29)**

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**To decide to be holy is  
to decide to please God.**

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**Only when we live holy  
will we be able to  
truly serve the Lord.**

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- 1) What's Your  
Connection?**
- 2) Who Lives  
In You?**
- 3) Honor God  
Through  
Holy Living.**

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**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 Corinthians 7:1)**

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**Some people  
confuse holiness  
with impossibility.**

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**It is your decision,  
but it is His power.**

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**Holiness is beautiful  
as well as a duty!**

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**Just as we require our  
bread to be mold-free,  
so God requires us  
to be spotless and  
sin-free.**

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**It looks delicious.  
Do you want a bite?**

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**Holiness  
is not something  
that we can put away  
for a little while  
and then retrieve.**

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**Sin makes us  
undesirable to God  
just like the mold  
makes the bread  
undesirable to us.**

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Concluding Scripture:

**Follow peace with all men,  
and holiness,  
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(Hebrews 12:14)**

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