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# LIVING

THE SPIRIT-FILLED LIFE





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Peter said to her, “How could you conspire to test the Spirit of the Lord? Listen! The feet of the men who buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out also.”

— Acts 5:9

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At that moment she fell down at his feet and died.  
Then the young men came in and, finding her dead,  
carried her out and buried her beside her husband.  
Great fear seized the whole church and all who heard  
about these events.

— Acts 5:10-11

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Now Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, took their respective firepans, and after putting fire in them, placed incense on the fire and offered [b]strange fire before the Lord, which He had not commanded them. And fire came out from the presence of the Lord and consumed them, and they died before the Lord.

— Leviticus 10:1-2 NASB

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The Hebrew word translated “*strange*” means  
“*unauthorized, foreign, or profane.*”

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The Hebrew word for “*holiness*” is *qōdes*,  
a word that highlights the realm of the sacred  
in contrast to everything common and profane.

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Out of His Holiness comes His:

***PRESENCE, POWER,  
PERSONHOOD, PROMISES,  
PURPOSE, PERFECTION,  
AND PURITY***





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*“Is to belong to a different realm from the everyday, the worldly, the human, the created, the this-worldly. It is to belong to the heavenly realm, the supernatural world.”*

— John Goldingay

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Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God. You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you.

— Romans 8:8-9

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***HIS HOLINESS DOESN'T  
DESTROY US;  
IT TRANSFORMS US.***



***CHRIST MIGHT BE  
LIVING IN YOU, BUT ARE  
YOU LIVING IN HIM?***





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# **SIN**

*“Abundant life apart from God.”*

*“An attempt to meet my deep needs  
by my own resources.”*

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His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life...he has given us great and precious promises. These are the promises that enable you to share his divine nature and escape the world's corruption caused by human desires.

— 2 Peter 1:3,4 NLT

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*“Holiness is not simply about trying harder; yes, it takes effort, but it is more than that. It is about faith in God’s holy power, a power that makes the unclean clean, turns the profane into something sacred, and calls and consecrates us into a Christ-shaped way of being human. Holiness happens when I draw myself nearer to a holy God and God’s Spirit is drawn into the very fabric of my being. It is in communion with God that we are consecrated and committed to a holy pattern of existence that is set apart from the ways of this world.”*

— Michael Bird





***THE “HOLE” IN OUR HOLINESS  
IS THAT WE DO NOT TAKE  
HOLINESS SERIOUSLY.***





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*“Unless we grasp God’s holiness, we will no longer be “amazed” at his amazing grace.”*

— C.S. Lewis Institute

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***GRACE IS NOT PERMISSION TO  
KEEP PURSUING SIN.***

***GRACE IS THE POWER TO KEEP  
PURSUING HOLINESS.***





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*“We become so accustomed to our sins we sometimes lapse into a state of peaceful coexistence with them, but God never ceases to hate them.”*

— Jerry Bridges, *The Pursuit of Holiness*

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***YOU WILL NEVER LIVE A  
PROPHETIC LIFE WITH A  
PROFANITY LIFESTYLE***





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*“Every sin is an act of cosmic treason, a futile attempt to dethrone God in His sovereign authority.”*

— R.C. Sproul

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*“Holiness is an unselfing of ourselves.”*

— Frederick William Faber

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***HOLINESS STARTS BY HATING  
WHAT GOD HATES AND LOVING  
WHAT GOD LOVES.***





**TWO WAYS WE CONSPIRE  
AGAINST THE SPIRIT'S HOLINESS  
IN OUR LIVES**



***THE SPIRIT-FILLED LIFE IS LIMITED  
THROUGH GRIEVING THE SPIRIT***

***THE SPIRIT-FILLED LIFE IS LIMITED  
THROUGH QUENCHING THE SPIRIT***





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I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live,  
but Christ lives in me.

— Galatians 2:20

***LIVING***



***YOU WANT TO LIVE  
HOLY OR WHOLLY,  
THEN DIE FULLY.***



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and all who heard about these events.

— Acts 5:11

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# ***FEAR (PHOBOS)***

*“Reverence for one’s spouse.”*

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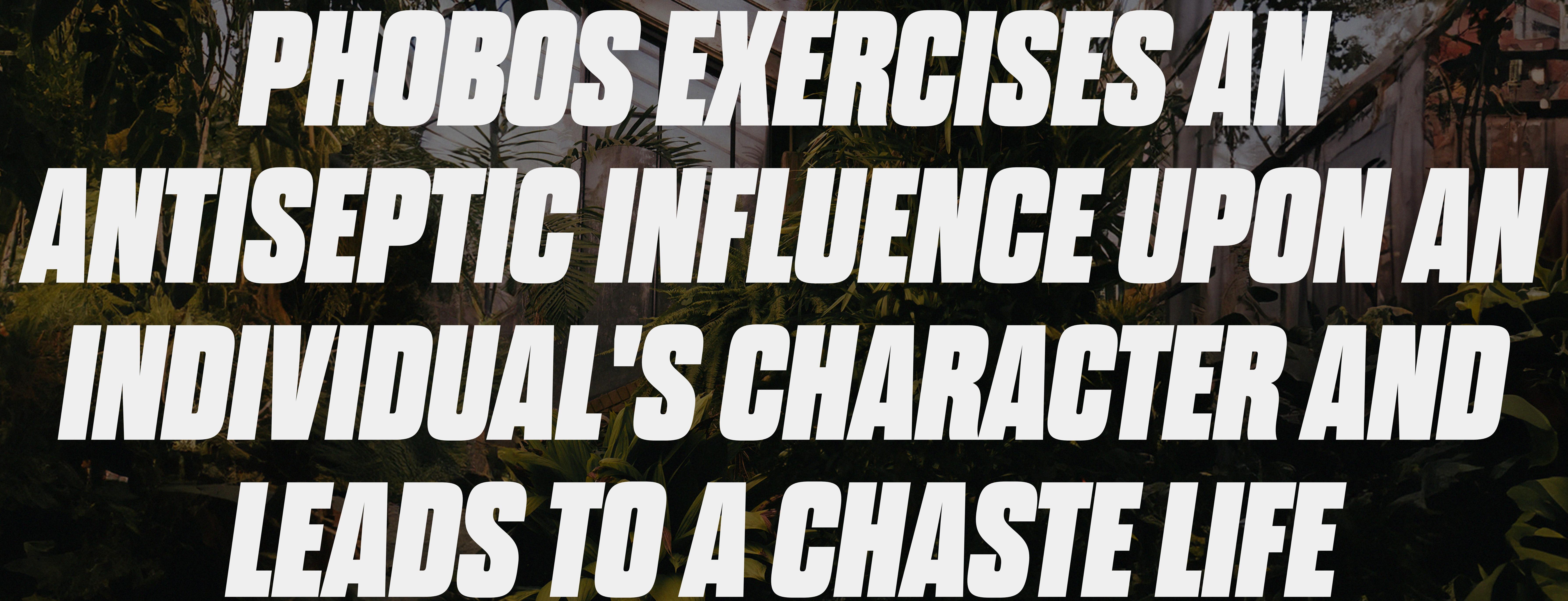


Since we have these promises, beloved, let us  
cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and  
spirit, bringing holiness to completion in the fear of  
God.

— 2 Corinthians 7:1 ESV

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***PHOBOS EXERCISES AN  
ANTISEPTIC INFLUENCE UPON AN  
INDIVIDUAL'S CHARACTER AND  
LEADS TO A CHASTE LIFE***





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...Living in the fear of the Lord and encouraged by the Holy Spirit, it increased in numbers.

— Acts 9:31

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*“Fear God, yes, but don't be afraid of Him.”*

— J. A. Spender

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...I will not be with you anymore unless you destroy whatever among you is devoted to destruction. “Go, consecrate the people. Tell them, ‘Consecrate yourselves in preparation for tomorrow’”

— Joshua 7:12-13

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...every devoted thing is most holy to the Lord

— Leviticus 27:28 ESV

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Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray  
for each other so that you may be healed.

— James 5:16

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Dear Heavenly Father, I confess that I have sinned against you. I have turned away from your commands and pursued my own desires. You are a holy God, and I desire to be holy too. Set apart unto You, and living my life in a manner that is worthy of You and pleasing to You.

Search my heart, I pray, and if there is any cherished sin lurking within, I ask that You would search it out and destroy it. Help me to crucify my flesh, pulverize my ego, and walk freely with Your Spirit.

I receive Your forgiveness, and I receive Your healing power. I invite Your life and abundance into my brokenness. I empty myself and ask that You fill me with Your Spirit. Thank You for Your unfailing love and mercies. In Jesus' name, Amen!





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# ***DISCUSSION QUESTIONS***

- 1. What does God's Holiness mean to you?*
- 2. How can you receive the Spirit's provision in your struggles?*
- 3. Is there a sin in your life that you need to be more honest about?*
- 4. What does it mean to practice confessing our sins to one another?*



# **GROUP PRACTICE**

Spend time this week with at least one other person or in a group of 2-3 and practice confession with each other. Share at what level of vulnerability you are comfortable with, but pray this prayer together:

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