

“Be Holy For I Am Holy”

Lesson 1: “An Introduction To Holiness”

What are your impressions from reading 1 Peter 1:13-16?

What does this study on holiness require of you?

1. What Is Holiness?

Define holiness.

Briefly discuss the following OT examples of holiness:

1. Exodus 3:5 –
2. Exodus 20:8-11 –
3. Leviticus 20:26 –
4. Leviticus 21:5-9 –
5. Deuteronomy 14:21 –
6. Deuteronomy 7:1-11 –
7. Deuteronomy 26:16-19 –

Briefly discuss the following NT examples of holiness:

1. Romans 16:16 –
2. 2 Timothy 1:9 –
3. 1 Peter 3:5 –
4. 1 Peter 2:9-10 –
5. 1 Peter 1:15-16 –

2. Why Is Holiness So Important?

What does God’s own nature have to do with holiness?

What does sin have to do with holiness?

What does the sacrifice of Jesus have to do with holiness?

What does God's call have to do with holiness?

What does the Day of Judgment have to do with holiness?

Does holiness matter? Explain.

3. The People Of God

Who are the "people of God"?

Discuss the following figures that are used regarding God's people – and how they are connected with holiness:

1. A holy nation –
2. Saints –
3. The temple of God –
4. A royal priesthood –

4. Holiness Requires Effort

How does the flesh pull you away from being holy?

What does 2 Corinthians 7:1 teach you concerning your individual effort to be holy?

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Lesson 2: “God, Our Standard For Holiness”

What does it mean to be holy?

What standard must be used to determine what is wicked and what is good?

1. God Is Holy

List and briefly describe the teachings of some passages in which God’s holiness is proclaimed.

List and briefly describe some passages in which God’s holiness is illustrated.

2. What God’s Holiness Requires

Discuss each one of the following ramifications of God’s holiness:

1. All that is in His presence must be holy –

2. A perfect standard to guide individuals in ways of holiness –

3. Vengeance to be taken against His enemies –

4. A perfect sacrifice made to make others holy –

3. God's Perfect Standard Of Holiness

List some common false standards of holiness – and briefly explain why they are false.

1.

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4.

What is the guidebook for living in a way that is acceptable to God – and how does it teach you to be holy?

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Lesson 3: “The Grace Of God And Our Holiness”

What does it mean to be holy?

How can we be holy after we have sinned?

1. We Were Created Holy

Were you born pure or sinful? What does this mean regarding your holiness?

Who, then, have sinned? How does sin work?

What are the spiritual consequences of sin?

Can you solve the serious problem of sin by yourself?

2. God’s Grace To Save Us From Sin

Has God provided a remedy for sin? Describe the nature of God’s plan of redemption.

What did God do in order to provide the opportunity of salvation.

What does God require you to do in order to be saved?

3. What God's Grace Should Mean To Us

Review what we've established.

Discuss how the following passages discuss the impact God's grace should have on our lives and on our holiness:

1. Ephesians 4:1 –

2. 2 Corinthians 5:14-15 –

3. Romans 6:1-23 –

4. Colossians 3:1-4:1 –

5. Titus 2:11-14 –

6. 2 Corinthians 6:11-7:1 –

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Lesson 4: “Perfecting Holiness In The Fear Of The Lord”

What does it mean to be holy?

What is your responsibility to be holy throughout your life?

1. What It Means To Perfect Holiness

How do the scriptures talk about our being “perfect”? How can we be “perfect”?

What does 2 Corinthians 7:1 say is involved in perfecting holiness in the fear of the Lord?
Describe the ongoing process involved in perfecting holiness.

2. The Fear Of The Lord

Briefly discuss what each of the following passages teach about the fear of the Lord:

1. Proverbs 1:28-29 –

2. Psalm 19:9 –

3. Proverbs 15:16 –

4. Proverbs 8:13 –

What two elements are involved in the fear of the Lord? Briefly discuss each one.

What impact does the fear of the Lord have on perfecting holiness?

3. How To Perfect Holiness

What model is given in 1 Thessalonians 5:21-22 that will help you perfect holiness?

What does it mean to “test all things”? What standard must be used?

What does it mean to cling to what is good?

What does it mean to abstain from every form of evil?

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Lesson 5: “Holy In Thought”

What does it mean to be holy?

What is your responsibility to be holy throughout your life?

1. Test

What is the importance of your thoughts?

What is the importance of renewing your mind? How do you renew your mind?

2. Cling

What kind of thoughts must you cling to?

Explain the following types of thoughts you must cling to:

1. The ways of God –

2. Things that are true –

3. Things that are noble –

4. Things that are just –

5. Things that are pure –

6. Things that are lovely –

7. Things that are of good report –

8. Things that are virtuous –

9. Things that are praiseworthy –

10. Humility –

11. Contentment –

3. Abstain

What kind of thoughts must you abstain from?

Explain the following types of thoughts you must abstain from:

1. Lustful thoughts –

2. Envy/jealousy –

3. Worthless thoughts –

4. Selfish ambitions –

5. False doctrines –

6. Vain philosophies –

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Lesson 6: “Holy In Word”

What does it mean to be holy?

What is your responsibility to be holy throughout your life?

1. Test

What is the importance of your words?

What is the importance of being transformed in your speech?

2. Cling

What kind of words must you cling to?

Explain the following types of words you must cling to:

1. Worship –

2. Sound speech that cannot be condemned –

3. Seasoned with salt –

4. Full of the word of God –

5. Words of edification to the hearers –

6. Words of truth –

7. Let your “yes” be “yes” –

3. Abstain

What kind of words must you abstain from?

Explain the following types of words you must abstain from:

1. Filthy and corrupt words –

2. Profanity –

3. Using God’s name in vain –

4. Euphemisms –

5. Gossip –

6. Coarse jesting –

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Lesson 7: “Holy In Conduct”

What does it mean to be holy?

What is your responsibility to be holy throughout your life?

1. Test

What is the importance of your conduct?

What is the importance of being transformed in your conduct?

2. Cling

What kind of conduct must you cling to?

Explain the following types of conduct you must cling to:

1. Bringing glory to God –

2. Preaching God’s word –

3. Bible study –

4. Serving –

5. Encouraging brethren –

6. Good stewardship –

3. Abstain

What kind of conduct must you abstain from?

Explain the following types of conduct you must abstain from:

1. Fornication –

2. Lewdness –

3. Idolatry –

4. Consuming alcohol –

5. Smoking –

6. Drugs –

7. Sinful entertainment/recreation –

8. Immodest dress –

9. Forsaking assemblies –

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Lesson 8: “Overcoming Obstacles To Holiness”

What does it mean to be holy?

Will you experience any obstacles to holiness? Why or why not?

Obstacles To Holiness

Discuss some lessons from the following passages about the obstacle of fleshly desires:

1. Romans 8:5-8 –
2. Matthew 19:16-22 –
3. Galatians 2:20 –

Discuss some lessons from the following passages about the obstacle of false standards:

1. 1 Peter 1:15-16 –
2. Jeremiah 10:23 –
3. Proverbs 14:12 –
4. Matthew 15:3-9 –
5. Acts 23:1 –

Discuss some lessons from the following passages about the obstacle of culture:

1. John 15:18-21 –
2. Deuteronomy 7:1-8 –
3. 2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1 –

Discuss some lessons from the following passages about the obstacle of your peers:

1. 1 Corinthians 15:33 –

2. 1 Kings 11:1-8 –

3. Proverbs 1:10-19 –

Discuss some lessons from the following passages about the obstacle of apathy:

1. Titus 2:11-14 –

2. Matthew 12:30 –

3. Revelation 3:15-16 –

2. How To Overcome All Obstacles To Holiness

How will recognizing the true value of your soul help you overcome all obstacles to holiness?

How will counting the cost help you overcome all obstacles to holiness?

How will seeking God absolutely first help you overcome all obstacles to holiness?

How will practicing self-discipline help you overcome all obstacles to holiness?

How will putting on the whole armor of God help you overcome all obstacles to holiness?

