

**HOW CAN WE  
BE HOLY?**

**1 PETER 1:15-16**

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**15 But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;**

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

# Introduction

## A. Holiness is commanded by God

### Leviticus 11:44-45

**44 For I am the LORD your God: ye shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and ye shall be holy; for I am holy: neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.**

**45 For I am the LORD that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: ye shall therefore be holy, for I am holy.**

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**B. Holiness is to be worn**

**Numbers 15:39-40**

**39 And it shall be unto you for a fringe, that ye may look upon it, and remember all the commandments of the LORD, and do them ; and that ye seek not after your own heart and your own eyes, after which ye use to go a whoring:**

**40 That ye may remember, and do all my commandments, and be holy unto your God.**



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**C. Holiness is blessed by God**

**Psalm 24:4-5**

**4 He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; who hath not lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.**

**5 He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.**

**Holiness is conferred by Christ but achieved by our lifestyle**

# **I. Holiness Reflects Being Healed**

## **A. Conferred by Christ**

**1 Peter 2:24**

**Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.**

# **I. Holiness Reflects Being Healed**

## **B. Continued in Christ**

### **1 John 1:9**

**If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

### **James 5:16**

**Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.**

## **II. Holiness Reflects Being Obedient**

**1 Peter 1:14**

**As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:**



## **II. Holiness Reflects Being Obedient**

### **A. Required from the heart**

**Ephesians 4:22**

**That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;**

### **B. Reflected on the outside**

**Ephesians 4:24**

**And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.**

# **III. Holiness Reflects Learning and Living**

## **A. Learning of Christ**

**Ephesians 3:17-19**

**17 That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,**

**18 May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height;**

**19 And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.**

# **III. Holiness Reflects Learning and Living**

## **B. Living for Christ**

### **2 Peter 1:5-10**

**5 And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;**

**6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;**

**7 And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.**

**8 For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

# **III. Holiness Reflects Learning and Living**

## **B. Living for Christ**

**2 Peter 1:5-10 - continued**

**9 But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.**

**10 Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall:**

## **IV. Holiness Reflects Yielding to Christ**

### **A. We make the choice**

**Romans 6:16**

**Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?**

## **IV. Holiness Reflects Yielding to Christ**

### **B. We reap the results**

#### **Romans 6:21-22**

**21 What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death.**

**22 But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life.**

**Holy or Holey?**