

Bible Study #12

GODLINESS

When we read of **GODLINESS** in the Scriptures, it is referring to faithfulness and reverence toward God. Another name for godliness is “holiness.” **HOLINESS** indicates sanctity, or separation, from all that is sinful or impure or morally imperfect. A short and simple definition of **HOLINESS** is “separation to God.” As Christians we should all desire to be more Christ-like. One of the many attributes of God is His **HOLINESS**. Therefore, we should strive to be holly

Begin memorizing **1 Peter 1:15-16**

“..but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, because it is written “Be holy, for I am holy.” - 1 Peter 1:15-16

1. What do the following Scriptures tell us about God?

Psalm 99:9 God is holy.

1 John 1:5 God is Light and in Him there is no darkness at all.

2. In **Psalm 89:30-37** we read of the Lord making a covenant with David that was to be everlasting and unconditional. IN verse 35 we see the Lord swear to this covenant by: By his holiness.
3. How do the following scriptures refer to the following?
God the Father **Isaiah 40:25, 41:14** He is the redeemer of Israel

God the Son **Mark 1:24/Acts 3:14** He is the holy one of God.

God the Spirit **Ephesians 4:30** We are sealed by the Spirit for the day of redemption
4. According to **Isaiah 5:16**, God will show Himself holy by what? By righteousness.
5. How does God feel about sin? He hates it because it separates us from Him.

The holiness of God demands that before the sinner can approach and have fellowship with Him, some means of atonement must be provided. Only through the shed blood of His Son Jesus Christ are we able to approach God.

6. Read **2 Corinthians 5:20-21**

Who was sinless? Jesus

Who was made to be sin for us? Jesus

What do we become in Christ? Sinless.

7. What are God's people referred to in **Romans 8:27** and **Ephesians 1:15,18**? Saints.

SAINT means "Holy One." The name reflects our standing. In Jesus we are set apart unto God.

8. We are told in **1 Timothy 6:11** to pursue: Righteousness, godliness, faith, love, perseverance and gentleness.

The most frequent use of the word "holy" in the New Testament is to identify God's Spirit as the Holy Spirit. Only by the power of God's Spirit are we transformed and able to live a holy life.

9. What part do our minds have in living a holy life?
Romans 8:5 We set our minds on what we want to live for. If we want to live according to the flesh we put our minds on fleshy things. If we want to live according to the Spirit we put our minds on things of the Spirit.

10. Read **Colossians 3:1-8** and list the practical steps for holy living.

vs. 1-2 Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth.

vs. 5 Consider the members of your earthly body as dead to immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed.

vs. 8 Put aside anger, wrath, malice, slander and abusive speech from your mouth.

11. We are not to be conformed to this world, but we are to be more like Christ. What does God want to do to our minds that will help us achieve this?

Romans 12:2 He wants to renew our mind

To be transformed is to have our moral character changed for the better. It is not a single event, but rather a process. The more we draw near to God, the more He draws near to us. Becoming more like Jesus will be the natural outcome

12. What does **1 Timothy 4:8** tell us about godliness? Godliness is profitable for all things and it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come.

“All things” is referring to the entire well-being, physical, spiritual, temporal and eternal.

13. How are to present ourselves to God?

Romans 12:1 As living sacrifices holy and acceptable unto the Lord.

14. As God's saints, what are we to do with evil and good?

Romans 12:9 Abhor what is evil and do what is good.

15. What quality are we to add to godliness to further our growth in Christian character?

2 Peter 1:7 Brotherly kindness.

From memory, write out the memory verse from the beginning of this Bible study.

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