

13. Godliness

When we read of godliness in the Scriptures, it is referring to the piety 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 holy.

Begin memorizing 1 Peter 1:15-16 (NIV)

“But just as he who called you is holy; so be holy in all you do; for it is written, be Holy, because I am Holy.”

What do the following scriptures tell us about God?

Psalm 99:9 _____

1 John 1:5 _____

Light represents what is good, true and holy; while darkness represents what is evil and false.

2. In Psalm 89:30-37 we read of the Lord making a covenant with David that was to be everlasting and unconditional. In vs. 35 we see the Lord swear to this covenant by?

God swears by His “holiness” because it is a full expression of Himself. This attribute of holiness is ascribed to each of the three persons in the trinity.

3. How do the following Scriptures refer to:

God the Father Isaiah 41:14 _____

God the Son Acts 3:14 _____

God the Spirit Eph. 4:30 _____

4. According to Isaiah 5:16, God will show Himself holy by what?

5. How does God feel about sin? Psalm 45:7

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 II Corinthians 5:20, 21.

Who was sinless? _____

Who was made to be sin for us? _____

What do we become in Christ? _____

7. What are God's people referred to in Romans 8:27 and Eph 1:15-18?

"Saint" means "Holy One". The name reflects our standing. In Jesus we are set up apart to God.

8. We are told in I Timothy 6:11 to pursue?

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

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

Vs. 1-2 _____

Vs. 5 _____

Vs. 8 _____

11. We are not to be conformed to this world, but we are to be transformed to be more like Christ. What does God want to do to our mind's that will help us achieve this? Romans 12:2.

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 I Timothy 4:8 tell us about godliness?

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

13. How are we to present ourselves to God? Romans 12:1

14. As God's saints, what are we to do with evil and good? Romans 12:9

15. What quality are we to add to godliness to further our growth in Christian character? II Peter 1:7

Write out your memory verse:

15. Do you have any questions, problems or comments that you would like to share with us?



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