

Consecrate And Be Holy

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Text

Lev 11:44 ,Exodus 3:5

Objective:

1. To teach that God is Holy and we are not
2. To teach the meaning of Christian holiness
3. To teach that nature of holiness to God will affect us

Introduction

Buddhist Holy man, Hindus strive for Holiness all religion has a goal to be holy?
Why is man always strive for holiness?

Lesson

1. God Is Holy –We Are Not

"Don't come any closer. Take off your sandals--the ground where you are standing is holy.-Exodus 3:5

1. removal of the shoes is a confession of personal defilement
2. conscious unworthiness to stand in the presence of unspotted holiness

2. We are holy but made Holy

“For I am the LORD your God. Consecrate yourselves therefore, and be holy, for I am Holy. You shall not defile yourselves with any swarming thing that crawls on the ground . Lev 11:44

1. Old Testament holiness- animals , non living things must be consecrated by blood
2. New Testament holiness- applicable in lifestyle, conduct, behavior,
v11 Some of you used to be like that. But now the name of our Lord Jesus Christ and the power of God's Spirit have washed you and made you holy and acceptable to God. 1 Cor 6:9-11

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3. We Must Live Holy

ASV - but like as he who called you is holy, be ye yourselves also holy in all manner of living

ESV - but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct

KJV - but as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation

WNT- in imitation of the holy One who has called you--you also must be holy in all your habits of life

4. Living Unholy Cause Defilement

For I am the LORD your God. Consecrate yourselves therefore, and be holy, for I am Holy. You shall not defile (pollute) yourselves with any swarming thing that crawls on the ground Lev 11:44

Conclusion

Why A Believer Continue To Struggle For Holiness ?

1. God's Nature is In you. By Giving you the Holy Spirit
2. God's Nature Is Holiness. Holiness is imputed in you
You will feel the manifestation of holiness by beginning in avoiding sin , by feeling unclean when defiled by sin, by disgusting in sin ,and by hating sin

- Illus: 1. Prince Harry –set apart
2. Phinehas – holiness zeal