

Holiness

a life of total devotion to God.

In other words, you are God conscience most of the time. Things you see or hear will jog a scripture or a thought of God, his creation or his presence.

It doesn't mean you walk around with your head in a cloud with your hands clasp in front of you or wear special garments to proclaim your holiness, (this is self righteousness and ungodly).

Holiness is not something you do or strive for, IT IS A BYE PRODUCT OF LOVING THE LORD.

Luke 20:46* Beware of the scribes, which desire to walk in long robes, and love greetings in the markets, and the highest seats in the synagogues, and the chief rooms at feasts;

This is not: I don't smoke, I don't chew, and I don't go with girls that do, this is self righteousness. Holiness is not something you do, but how you react to God and life in general.

Devotion

loyalty, faithfulness, constancy, commitment, adherence, dedication; love, admiration, affection,

If you Love your Wife , Husband, and family, You are devoted to them. You will do pretty much an anything for them, and if it comes to their safety, you wouldn't even consider your own life.

So it is with walking with God (Jesus), you won't even consider the political correct or the modern view of denying your faith, by not saying Merry Christmas for FEAR of offending a non-believer in Jesus.

2Tmothy 1:7* For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

Words like loyalty, faithfulness, and commitment, does not have very much meaning in our modern society that teaches, it is all about me, how you make me feel or I have to feel good about Myself.

There is no discipline taught, and we wonder WHY our modern generation cannot discipline themselves. IF ONE IS NOT taught something, how in the world can you expect them to apply it in

their lives.

In our society of north America, the Gospel of Jesus Christ has been so misrepresented, that the majority are led to believe they have to, do certain things, give up certain things or act a certain way. THIS IS RELIGION AND NOT CHRISTIANITY. The bible says, Romans 10:13* "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

In other words, just ask Jesus to come into your life. Man cannot come into saving grace unless he believes or asks. from then on in, it is the Holy Spirits job to make you a new creature.

2Corinthians 5:17* Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

Just remember though, Satan will more than likely come to your mind and say: "You don't really believe this," or something like, "you aren't good enough" or "You haven't got the faith to go through with this." TELL HIM TO TAKE A HIKE IN JESUS NAME.

You WILL sense the love of God come upon you or flow through you, he will then start to guide and lead you into the person he wants you to be. Just remember, that you are a new born babe in Christ and just like A HUMEN BABY, you don't run until you learn to walk.

If you do not quit or give up, you WILL see the transformation in your own life. Just remember the seed that you sow in the ground, it gets rained upon and the sun shines on it, the wind moves it around, but in due season you can enjoy, fresh carrots, or peas, or potatoes and much, much more.

Like the vegetables, you will receive water and sunshine (blessings) so that you can grow; but you will also experience the storms of life and these are also necessary for a mature growth.

A word of warning though, if you keep looking back at the past hurts or what you though were past pleasures and dwell on them. You stand a very good chance of getting caught up in your old lifestyle.

James 1:8* A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.

Proverbs 26:11 As a dog returneth to his vomit, so a fool returneth to his folly.

I sense that I should share a personal experience of a woman I have known since birth, (my niece) up to her teen years she served the Lord as best as she possibly could. She was raped by ???, this she kept to herself for many years and let the hurt and hate fester until it turned her to drugs and alcohol. As a young woman she got tangled up with a drug dealer and cultist. Over the years she would get violent with anybody that disagreed with her or tried to give her any advice. One time she was high and was breaking the law, and it took four RCMP officers to subdue and hold her down. Now anybody that anybody knows this is not normal strength for a 125 pound female, the carnal world knows nothing about demon possession and they call it Schizophrenia. As long as the person takes drugs to deaden that part of the mind, they seem to control it, but the devil always convinces them to quit the drug so he can have his way with the person. Some well meaning Christians took her up to a guy that claimed to cast out demons, she apparently seemed her old self. But after the service he took her in back and whatever he said or did she came out way worse than she went in. The Christians that took her up ask what happened and he said that she's worse than he anticipated and that they would have to pay him for total deliverance. There is a special place in HELL for this guy.

Over the years I have tried to minister to her but the only way she will talk to me is by phone that way all she has to do is hang up, yet she persists on calling me so deep down she wants deliverance, but Satan won't let her come in person. After all these years of verbal abuse on the phone, I ask the Lord how can I help her? And these scriptures immediately came to mind

1Corinthians 5:5* To deliver such an one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.

1Timothy 1:20* Of whom is Hymenaeus and Alexander; whom I have delivered unto Satan, that they may learn not to blaspheme.

Now I have never done this before nor have I even thought of it. So you see it all boils down to your commitment and devotion to Jesus.

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