

201 Holy Spirit Series  
“The Holy Spirit and Personal Holiness”  
Romans 8:3b-14

Three questions we will examine today:

- 1.) **Why** do we need to pursue holiness?
- 2.) **What** is personal holiness?
- 3.) **How** does the Holy Spirit empower spiritual holiness?

There is a process of allowing God’s spirit to control our lives—to control our minds/thoughts; words; actions—putting to death the old sinful nature and striving toward the character of our father, God.

- ❖ **Sanctification:** The Holy Spirit works in us to be “\_\_\_\_\_ and be made \_\_\_\_\_”. It means living the \_\_\_\_\_ life God intended for us to have.
  - We cannot save ourselves. We cannot perfect ourselves.
  - Pharisees tried to follow the law perfectly to be “made holy”; Jesus came to fulfill the law.
  - Following the law became more important than the reason to
  - This mindset that is all about performance/outward appearance and nothing about relationship. The “\_\_\_\_\_” became more important than the why and the who.
- ❖ What was the Greatest Commandment?
  1. Love \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Love \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ **Why do we need to pursue holiness?**
  - Leviticus 20:26
  - I Peter 1:15
  - Jeremiah 17:9-10
  - Romans 6:12-13
  - Hebrews 12:14
- ❖ **What is personal holiness?**
  - Being \_\_\_\_\_ devoted to God.
  - Psalm 40:6-8
  - Jeremiah 17:5-7
  - Hebrews 13:15-17
  - Hebrews 12:1-2
    - God is everyone’s \_\_\_\_\_ but he is not everyone’s \_\_\_\_\_ because we have to \_\_\_\_\_ his offer to be adopted as joint heirs.
    - We have to intentionally \_\_\_\_\_ to do God’s will and seek that life, a holy transformed life \_\_\_\_\_ by His Spirit.
  - Galatians 6:5,7-8
- ❖ **How does the Holy Spirit empower us to live holy lives?**
  - John 14: 15-17a
  - John 14:26-27
  - John 16:13
- ❖ **The first is step is getting to know God \_\_\_\_\_.**
  - You can’t trust someone that you do not know.
  - You can’t know someone that you do not spend \_\_\_\_\_ with.
  - Prayer and \_\_\_\_\_ is the key.