

## **GOD'S HOLINESS AND ME!**

*The Letters of Peter*

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*“Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, 16 since it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.” (1 Peter 1:13–16, ESV)*

### **I. God is holy.**

*“...He who called you is holy...” verse 15*

*“No one is holy like the LORD! There is no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God.” (1 Samuel 2:2 NLT)*

*“Who is like you among the gods, O LORD- glorious in holiness, awesome in splendor, performing great wonders?” (Exodus 15:11, NLT)*

#### **A. Holiness means that God is not like me.**

*“My thoughts are nothing like your thoughts,” says the LORD. “And my ways are far beyond anything you could imagine. For just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so my ways are higher than your ways and my thoughts higher than your thoughts.” (Isaiah 55:8-9, NLT)*

*“You will live in joy and peace. The mountains and hills will burst into song, and the trees of the field will clap their hands!” (Isaiah 55:12, NLT)*

*“Holy Father, you have given me your name; now protect them by the power of your name so that they will be united just as we are.” (John 17:11, NLT)*

B. Faith in God means that I don't have to be afraid of losing his love only wounding his love.

## II. I must be holy.

*"You also be holy in all your conduct."* Verse 16

A. To be holy means to be wholly God's.

*"Once during the harvest, when David was at the cave of Adullam, the Philistine army was camped in the valley of Rephaim. The Three (who were among the Thirty-an elite group among David's fighting men) went down to meet him there. David was staying in the stronghold at the time, and a Philistine detachment had occupied the town of Bethlehem. David remarked longingly to his men, "Oh, how I would love some of that good water from the well by the gate in Bethlehem." So the Three broke through the Philistine lines, drew some water from the well by the gate in Bethlehem, and brought it back to David. But he refused to drink it. Instead, he poured it out as an offering to the LORD. "The LORD forbid that I should drink this!" he exclaimed. "This water is as precious as the blood of these men who risked their lives to bring it to me." So David did not drink it. These are examples of the exploits of the Three."*  
(2 Samuel 23:13-17, NLT)

B. The nature of total devotion, "your sigh is enough."

C. The object of total devotion is Jesus.

D. The reason for total devotion is, He is our Warrior King.

*"And I give myself as a holy sacrifice for them so they can be made holy by your truth."* (John 17:19, NLT)