

## *The Message Notes*

**Series:** Church Community

**Message:** *The Holy Assembly of God (P2)*

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**Text:** I Peter 1:15-16

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**I Peter 1:15.** But as He who called you is holy you also be holy in all your conduct, **16.** Because it is written, “Be holy, for I am holy.”

**Objective:** to **know** God is **Holy** and how to live a **holy** lifestyle according to God’s **covenant** that **honors** Him.

### **Points of Message:**

1. **Positional** holiness – “He who **called** you is **holy**.”

- An inherit attribute
- Pure (sinless) and perfect (complete)
- Transcendent from creation

**I Corinthians 1:2.** I am writing to God’s church in Corinth, to you who have been **called** by God to be his **own holy people**. He **made** you **holy** by means of **Christ Jesus**, just as he did for all people everywhere who call on the name of our **Lord** Jesus Christ, their **Lord** and ours. (NLT)

- **Called** by God – “to be his own holy people”
- **Made** you holy – “by means of Christ Jesus”
- **Who** – “people everywhere who call on the name of our **Lord** Jesus Christ.”

2. **Practicing** holiness – **v.15** He who called you is **holy** you also **be holy** in **all your conduct**.

“To **be holy** does not refer to your own nature. It refers to God’s **nature** and our **conformity** to His nature by obeying His **moral precepts** that makes us **distinct** from the sinfulness in this world.”

### **How We Practice Holiness:**

a) **Submission:** **I Peter 1:14.** as **obedient** children, **not conforming** yourselves to the **former lusts**, as in your **ignorance**. Reference: Leviticus 20:8

b) **Separation:** **2 Corinthians 6:17.** Therefore, **come** out from among **unbelievers**, and **separate** yourselves from them, says the Lord. **Don’t touch** their **filthy** things, and I will welcome you. (NLT) Reference: Exodus 23:32-33

**c) Sanctification: John 17:15.** I do not ask that you take them out of the **world**, but that you keep them from the **evil one**. **16.** They are **not** of the **world**, just as I am not of the world. **17. Sanctify** them in the **truth**; your **word** is **truth**. (ESV)

**d) Sexual purity: I Thessalonians 4:3.** God's will is for you to be holy, so stay from all **sexual sin**. **4.** Then each of you will **control** his own body and live **holiness** and **honor**- **5.** not in lustful passion like the **pagans** (unbelievers) who do **not know** God and his **ways**. (NLT)

**e) Sacrifice: Romans 12:1.** And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to **give your bodies to God** because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living **holy sacrifice**-the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to **worship** him.

3. **Perfecting** holiness – v16. "Be holy for I am holy."

**Hebrews 10:14.** For by that one offering he forever made **perfect** those who are **being made holy**. (NLT)

#### **How We Perfect Holiness:**

**a) Do not Sin: I John 2:1.** My dear children, I am writing this to you so that you will **not sin**. But if anyone does sin, we have an **advocate** who pleads our case before the Father. He is Jesus, the one who is truly **righteous**. (NLT)

**b) Bear Fruit: John 15:4.** Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful unless you remain in me. (NLT).

**Galatians 5:22.** But the **Holy Spirit produces** this kind of **fruit** in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, **23.** Gentleness, and self-control.

**c) Transformed Mind: Romans 12:2. Don't copy** the behavior and customs of this world, but let God **transform** you into a new person by **changing** the way you **think**. Then you will **learn to know** God's will for you, which is **good** and **pleasing** and **perfect**. (NLT)

**d) Grace Teaching: Titus 2:11.** For the **grace** of God that brings **salvation** has appeared to all men **12. Teaching** us that, **denying** ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live **soberly, righteously, and godly** in the present age. (NKJV)

- **Devotion** – grace of God that brings salvation to us
- **Discipline** – teachings to deny ungodliness and worldly lust
- **Development** – we should live soberly (self-control), righteously (right way), and godly (like God) in this present age