

Digging Deeper- Discussion for Family Worship and Small Groups 04/25/2021

“Following Jesus Through a Foreign Land”

Sermon Title: “Developing a Holy Lifestyle”

Reference: 1 Peter 1:14-16

Context: Peter is writing to scattered, suffering Christians facing increased persecution. They are in need of encouragement and instruction as they live out their earthly pilgrimage in a hostile environment. 1:13-2:10 highlights at least six responsibilities Christians have been given as the result of God’s great salvation. 1:14-16 focuses on a holy lifestyle that brings glory to God and spiritual health for the believer.

Sermon in a Sentence: *“Christians are responsible for being different from the world by pursuing personal holiness.”*

Main Points:

I. Holiness is exclusive for all God’s people. (1:14-16)

Ref. Matt 5:48; Rom 8:1; 2 Cor 5:21; Heb 12:14; Rom 8:28; 1 John 3:2

II. Holiness is expected for all God’s people. (1:15-16)

Ref. Leviticus 19:1-2; 1 Thess 4:3-7

III. Holiness is possible for all God’s people. (1:15-16)

Ref. 1 Pet 3:5; Heb 11:24-26; Gen 39:6-12; 1 Cor 9:27; Hebrews 7:26; Rev 4:28

A. Developing a holy lifestyle requires consistent obedience to God’s Word. (1:14)

Ref. John 8:31-32; John 17:17

B. Developing a holy lifestyle requires constant denial of self. (1:14)

Ref. 1 Pet 2:11; Col 3:5-8; Matt 16:24-25; John 15:10-11

Discussion Questions:

1. What did you learn about God’s attributes and promises?
2. What challenges you about the message?
3. Were you convicted of any specific sin in your life? Through God’s grace and the power of His Spirit, how will you deal with this sin?
4. What does this Scripture require of me?
5. How will you practically implement these truths?
6. What in this passage points to our need for Jesus?