



PRAY FIRST - DAILY DEVOTIONAL

DAY 21

Let's recap what we have learned over these 21 days?

- **God is Holy**
- **God commands us to be Holy**
- **God helps us to be holy**

God's will is that we are holy in everything we do. Holiness is more than a list of rules to follow but more a discovery that holiness is both a gift and a goal. God wants us to understand that His holiness is beautiful.

Honor the Lord for the glory of his name. Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.

-Psalm 29:2

Some believe that this phrase, "*Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness,*" refers to "*Holy Attire.*" Something a priest would wear to honor and worship God. That's a great way to think about and approach the holiness of God. To be aware of how you are dressed before Him. I'm not referring to your physical clothing, but who you are "***in Christ.***" That we live our lives fully clothed for worship. That we come to God with a complete outfit that speaks to who He is and what He has done for us.

To worship God in the beauty of His holiness is to be fully aware of who we are in Christ. It's to know that He sees us as holy and pure while He is making us holy and pure. When we live in this awareness of how God sees us, then we live "*dressed in his righteousness.*" Each day we "***put on*** all that God is making us into.

In his letter to the Colossians (**Colossians 3:12-15**), Paul gives us a detailed description of the Christians' uniform.

"Since God chose you to be the holy people he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony. And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful."

I want you to notice something about this description of a holy person. It's "*one size fits all*," you never have to worry about it going out of style, and it looks good on everyone.

That describes a holy life.

The only challenge is keeping it clean. But that's where the power of the Holy Spirit comes into play. As we submit to Him, He keeps us clean so that we bring glory to Him.

As you continue to grow in holiness, commit to clothing yourself with this uniform that Paul describes. You will live a holy life that becomes more and more like Jesus when you do.

May we all continue to commit to "*being Holy as God is holy*."

Amen.

READ Colossians 3

JOURNAL (Reflect):

- Lord, what part of this uniform do you want to develop in my life fully?
- Lord, what is one significant insight or truth you want to point out to me from these 21 days of prayer and fasting?

PRAY:

- Thank God for His love for you and His commitment to making you Holy.
- Commit to attending tonight's **Prayer Summit** from **6-7 pm** in the **Main Street Church Auditorium** as we celebrate through worship and prayer what God has done in our lives and church this last month.