



Open Heaven 22 December 2024 Today Devotional: BE HOLY

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TOPIC: BE HOLY

MEMORISE

And ye shall be holy unto me: for I the Lord am holy, and have severed you from other people, that ye should be mine.

Leviticus 20:26

READ: 1 Peter 1:15-16

¹⁵ But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;

¹⁶ Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

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When God says you should be holy as He is, it is not for His good. God is Almighty and All Sufficient, so your holiness will not add or remove anything from Him. Whether you decide to live holy or not, God will remain God.

The wages of sin is death (Romans 6:23). Sin brings troubles, sorrow, chaos, and a low quality of life to sinners. It is a burden on the heart of a sinner. This is why lie detectors are able to detect lies because a person's heart goes through stress whenever he or she tells a lie. Many people do not live long because their heart is always stressed due to the atrocities they commit. It is wise to live holy; living holy brings peace of mind, wealth, favour with God, and long life. Most sinners think that they are very smart, however, living in sin is dangerous and can destroy them. I will rather be a fool for God so that I can live a peaceful life and enjoy all of His blessings.

Some people say that living holy is hard because they are trying to live holy by their own efforts. When the Bible says that you should be holy as your Father in heaven is holy, it is only saying, "Be like God." The elders in Yorubaland where I come from usually say that when a leaf stays attached to a soap, it becomes a soap itself. When you draw close to God, you will automatically become like Him.

The way to live holy is to draw close to God.

The more you behold His glory, the more you're transformed into His image (2 Corinthians 3:18)

If you have not yet given your life to Christ, you should do that immediately; this is the first step in living a holy life. If you are a Christian, you should study your Bible daily. David said in Psalm 119:11, "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee." When you fill your heart with God's word, there will be no space for sin to dwell in. You also need to pray without ceasing (1 Thessalonians 5:17). When you pray, you empower your spirit above your flesh, and the temptations to sin become less effective on you (Matthew 26:41).

Beloved, spend quality time with God by studying His word and praying daily. This will influence you to live in a way that is pleasing and acceptable to Him.

KEY POINT

Be holy as God is holy.

BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

1 John 1-5

HYMN 23: TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE

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