

## **9-A** Holiness

1. **HEB 12:14** Make every effort to live in peace with all men and to **BE HOLY; without holiness no one will see the Lord.**
2. **1PE 1:15** But just as he who called you is holy, so **BE HOLY in all you do;** 16 for it is written: **“BE HOLY, because I am holy.”**

There is a principle in Christian Living that God **NEVER** asks us to do anything that He will not also give us the **POWER** to do so. This is because the things He asks of us are **IMPOSSIBLE** for us to do in our own strength.

3. **EPH 2:8** For **by GRACE are you SAVED through FAITH,** and that not of yourselves; **it is the GIFT of God,** 9 not of works, lest anyone should boast.

These verses point out a **FORMULA for EVERYTHING** we receive from God. **We receive from God by His GRACE through our FAITH,** similar to electricity passing through a wire. Grace is God's **POWER** that comes through our **FAITH.** BOTH are necessary for anything to happen. In fact, we could use **EPH 2:8** to illustrate this:

For **by GRACE are you HEALED through faith,** and that not of yourselves; **it is the gift of God....**

For **by GRACE are your FINANCIAL NEEDS met through faith,** & that not of yourselves; **it is the gift of God...**

For **by GRACE are your PRAYERS ANSWERED through faith,** & that not of yourselves; **it is the gift of God...**

For **by GRACE are you SANCTIFIED through faith,** & that not of yourselves; **it is the gift of God.....etc.**

4. **EXO 31:12** Then the LORD said to Moses, 13 **“Say to the Israelites, ‘You must observe my SABBATHS. This will be a sign between me and you for the generations to come, so you may know that I AM THE LORD, WHO MAKES YOU HOLY.’**

5. **JON 2:8** **“Those who cling to worthless idols forfeit the grace that could be theirs.**

6. **HEB 12:1** Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, **let us throw off everything that hinders and THE SIN that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. 2 Let us FIX OUR EYES ON JESUS, THE AUTHOR AND PERFECTER OF OUR FAITH, who for the joy set before him ENDURED THE CROSS,** scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. 3 Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart. 4 In your struggle against sin, you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. 5 And you have forgotten that word of encouragement that addresses you as sons: **“My son, do not make light of the Lord’s discipline, and do not lose heart when he rebukes you, 6 because the Lord DISCIPLINES those he loves, and he PUNISHES everyone he accepts as a son.”** 7 Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as sons. For what son is not disciplined by his father? 8 **If you are not DISCIPLINED (and everyone undergoes discipline), then you are illegitimate children and not true sons.** 9 Moreover, we have all had human fathers who disciplined us and we respected them for it. How much more should we submit to the Father of our spirits and live! 10 **Our fathers disciplined us for a little while as they thought best; but God disciplines us for our good, that we may share in his HOLINESS.** 11 No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. **Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and PEACE for those who have been trained by it.** 12 Therefore, strengthen your feeble arms and weak knees. 13 **“Make level paths for your feet,”** so that the lame may not be disabled, but rather healed.

7. **LUK 9:23** Then he said to them all: **“If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me.** 24 For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me will save it. 25 What good is it for a man to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit his very self?

8. **LUK 14:27** And **anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my DISCIPLE.**

What did Jesus put on the cross? His **FLESH.** We are to follow His example, and **DIE TO SELF, so as to LIVE FOR OTHERS.** THAT is the difference between a **CONVERT** and a **DISCIPLE!** **RELIGION IS HANGING AROUND THE CROSS. CHRISTIANITY IS HANGING ON THE CROSS!** There is a **BIG** difference.

9. **REV 12:11** **They (Christians) overcame him (Satan) by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from DEATH.**

10. **ECC 12:13** **Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: FEAR GOD AND KEEP HIS COMMANDMENTS,** for **this is the whole duty of man.** 14 For God will bring every deed into judgment, including every hidden thing, whether it is good or evil.

11. **PRO 3:11** My son, **do not despise the LORD’s discipline and do not resent his rebuke,** 12 **because the LORD disciplines those he loves, as a father the son he delights in.** 13 **Blessed is the man who finds WISDOM,** the man who gains understanding, 14 for she is more profitable than silver and yields better returns than gold. 15 She is more precious than rubies; nothing you desire can compare with her. 17 Her ways are pleasant ways, and **all her paths are PEACE.** 18 **She is a TREE OF LIFE to those who embrace her;** those who lay hold of her will be blessed.

12. **ISA 33:5** The LORD is exalted, for he dwells on high; he will fill Zion with justice and righteousness. 6 **He will be the sure foundation for your times, a rich store of salvation and wisdom and knowledge; THE FEAR OF THE LORD IS THE KEY TO THIS TREASURE.**

13. **EXO 20:20** Moses said to the people, **“Do not be afraid. God has come to test you, so that THE FEAR OF GOD will be with you TO KEEP YOU FROM SINNING.”**

14. **ISA 22:1** David left Gath and escaped to the cave of Adullam. When his brothers and his father’s household heard about it, they went down to him there. 2 **All those who were in distress or in debt or discontented gathered around him, and he became their leader. About four hundred men were with him.**

15. **2SA 12:1** The LORD sent Nathan to David.

**Before David slew Goliath (a type of Satan), he first had slain a lion and a bear! He KNEW HIS GOD!!**

16. **DAN 11:32b** but the **PEOPLE WHO KNOW THEIR GOD SHALL be strong, and CARRY OUT GREAT EXPLOITS.**
17. **2SA 23:20** Benaiah son of Jehoiada was a valiant fighter from Kabzeel, who performed **great exploits.** He struck down two of Moab's best men. **He also went down into a pit on a snowy day and killed a lion.** 21 And **he struck down a huge Egyptian.** Although the Egyptian had a spear in his hand, Benaiah went against him with a club. He snatched the spear from the Egyptian's hand and killed him with his own spear. **(Benaiah was one of David's Mighty Men!)**
18. **1TH 5:23** **May God himself, the GOD OF PEACE, SANCTIFY YOU THROUGH AND THROUGH. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.**
19. **ROM 12:1** Therefore, **I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to OFFER YOUR BODIES AS LIVING SACRIFICES, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship.** 2 Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but **BE TRANSFORMED BY THE RENEWING OF YOUR MIND.** Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.
20. **LEV 20:7** **CONSECRATE yourselves and Be Holy,** because I am the LORD your God. 8 Keep my decrees and follow them. **I AM THE LORD, WHO MAKES YOU HOLY.**

**Consecration is what WE do. Sanctification (by FIRE) is what GOD does.**

21. **MAT 3:11** "I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me will come one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not fit to carry. **He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with FIRE.**
22. **LUK 12:49** **"I have come to bring FIRE on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled!**
23. **1CH 21:26** **David built an altar to the LORD there and sacrificed burnt offerings and fellowship offerings. He called on the LORD, and the LORD answered him with fire from heaven on the altar of burnt offering.**
24. **1KI 18:23** Get two bulls for us. Let them choose one for themselves, and let them cut it into pieces and put it on the wood but not set fire to it. I will prepare the other bull and put it on the wood but not set fire to it. 24 Then you call on the name of your god, and I will call on the name of the LORD. **The god who answers by fire—he is God.**" Then all the people said, "What you say is good." 38 **Then the fire of the LORD fell and burned up the sacrifice, the wood, the stones and the soil, and also licked up the water in the trench.**
25. **GEN 3:24** After he drove the man out, **he placed on the east side of the Garden of Eden cherubim and a FLAMING SWORD flashing back and forth to guard the way to the tree of life.**

**You can't cast out the flesh, & you can't crucify a demon. Resurrection cannot occur until there is first a crucifixion. Gethsemane means PRESS---the place where the olives were pressed, resulting in olive OIL, a type of the Holy Spirit. Forgiveness cannot occur without Repentance; turning TO GOD means turning AWAY FROM SIN. Power cannot flow without submission to Authority. Jesus said, "The greatest among you shall be servant of all." The way up is the way down. Humility comes before honor. James states, "Humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, and He will lift you up." Without complete submission to God, we all will be double-minded, lukewarm, and powerless..... been there, done that, got the T-shirt !!**

26. **JOH 12:24** I tell you the truth, **unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds.** 25 **The man who loves his life will lose it, while the man who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life.**
27. **ROM 1:16** **I am not ashamed of THE GOSPEL, because it IS THE POWER OF GOD FOR the SALVATION** of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile.
28. **GAL 2:20** **I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God,** who loved me and gave himself for me.
29. **EPH 6:10** Finally, **be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power.** 11 **Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.** 12 **For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.** 13 Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. 14 **STAND FIRM THEN,** with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, 15 and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. 16 In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. 17 Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. 18 **And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.** With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.
30. **ROM 13:14** Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the sinful nature.

The **Natural Man (psuchikos)** is still in Egypt, in bondage to Satan. The **Carnal Man (sarkikos)** has left Egypt, crossed the Red Sea, but is still in the Wilderness, in bondage to the flesh and its passions. The **Spiritual Man (pneumatikos)** has crossed the Jordan, and is conquering enemies in the Promised Land. He has put to death the deeds of the flesh, and is living from victory to victory.