

Holiness: Motivation, Mission and Message
For the week of September 30 – October 6

Prayer: That we might embrace the discomfort of life in Christ

Day 1: 1 Peter 1:13 – 16

Three questions to ponder:

- What makes holiness such a crucial topic for Peter?
- Is holiness attainable? How? Or, why not?
- What is at stake in our holiness?

Day 2: 1 Peter 1:17 – 2:12

Three questions to ponder:

- To what does Peter as the foundation of holiness?
- What does Peter mean in verse 23? What makes this so significant for Christians today as we pursue holiness?
- Do you feel like a stranger in the world? How? What might be keeping you from being more of a stranger?

Day 3: Leviticus 11:44-45 & Romans 12:1-2

Two questions to ponder:

- What makes holiness a difficult conversation for you?
- As you consider your life in thought, practice, speech, where do you not conform?
- Where are you being transformed?

Day 4: Matthew 5:13 – 16

Three questions to ponder:

- As you consider being light and salt, what motivation usually finds you?
- What is the ultimate reason for shining the light?
- How aware of others' sight are you as you live daily?

Day 5: Romans 7:7 – 25

Three questions to ponder:

- How does Paul 'get right' the inner struggles of a Christian?
- Where do you experience the battle for holiness?
- What do you find most helpful in the battle for holiness against flesh and blood?

Further Reflection: How might Christians and churches guard against hypocrisy as we seek to live holy lives?