

THE GREATEST OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
THE WORD AND THE SPIRIT
MESSAGE 12: HOLINESS – THE CHRISTIAN LIFESTYLE III
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- **Foundational Scriptures:**

- Hebrews 3:1
- 1 Peter 1:15-16 – living a Holy lifestyle is a heavenly calling
 - 1 Peter 2:5
 - A Spiritual House
 - A Holy Priesthood
- Separated, Sanctified Saints: Special (set in order by obeying God's plan)

I. If the Root is Holy, so are the Branches

- a. Romans 11:16
 - i. John 15:1, 5 = Jesus is the Vine – the Vine is the supply to the branches
 - ii. The Vine can only supply to the branches what the vine has
 - iii. Romans 11:17 = areas where we disconnect – we can't draw on the supply of the Vine
- b. Galatians 5:22-23 = Holiness is the combined force of the fruit
 - i. 9 Fruit all working together as One
 - ii. The Father is Glorified when we bear (produce) much of this fruit: John 15:8
- c. Colossians 1:6, 9-10; 1 Corinthians 13:13
 - i. Faith
 - ii. Hope
 - iii. Love
 - iv. Knowledge of the Truth concerning Grace

II. Holiness to God is Reasonable

- a. Holiness is unreasonable to natural man: Romans 12:1
 - i. Holiness is the inside change to the Spirit being that man is & is the Lifestyle of Being led by the Holy Spirit
 - ii. Holiness has nothing to do with outward appearance
 - 1. 1 Peter 3:3-4 = the Spirit man (the real you) is what needs our attention – a living being that must be fed
- b. Life is reasonable to God: John 10:10 = Jesus abundant life
 - i. Death is reasonable to natural man: you live, you die

III. **A Holy Temple for a Living Holy God**

- a. 1 Corinthians 3:17 = the Temple of the Living God
 - i. Ephesians 1:4 = Holy & without Blame
 - ii. Theological Concepts:
 - 1. Verse 4: God has chosen man
 - a. 2 Peter 1:10 = make the calling & election sure
 - 2. Verse 5: predestination
 - a. Children of God by our choosing to be
 - b. Romans 8:29 = Christlike
 - 3. Verse 13: sealed of the Spirit: God's stamp of approval
 - a. Trust
 - b. Belief
 - c. Faith
 - 4. Verse 14: earnest of the Spirit
 - a. The full redemption, full payment
 - b. The results of the Redemption
 - c. The final act of redemption: The Rapture
 - 5. Verse 14: Bringing Glory to God
- b. Ephesians 1:23-22 = Jesus is the Head, the Lord of the Church
 - i. Revelation 19:16
 - 1. Lord of Lords
 - 2. King of Kings
 - ii. 1 Peter 2:5
 - 1. Living Stone
 - 2. Built up to be a Spiritual House
 - 3. Holy Priesthood
 - a. All this is acceptable to God: Romans 12:1-2

IV. **Holiness Comes by God's Covenant Words**

- a. Ephesians 5:25-27
 - i. A Glorious Church: without spot or wrinkle
 - ii. A Sanctified Church: a Church set in order by God's Covenant Words – separated from the world & its system
- b. 2 Corinthians 7:1
 - i. Cleanse from the filthiness of the flesh before it affects your Spirit – this is a constant daily effort
 - 1. Washed in the Water of the Word of God
 - ii. Perfect Holiness through fear [honor, respect] for the Lord and His Words
 - 1. Fear = respect for God and His Word's ability to change our life
 - 2. Perfect Holiness comes when we Respect God's Word's ability to change our life & we make those changes

- c. 1 Peter 1:22-23
 - i. Purifying your Souls by obeying the Truth
 - 1. Holiness = cleansing the flesh & Spirit
 - 2. Soul = purified through our actions of Love (obeying God's Word of Truth (doing so by Faith in that Word))
 - ii. Colossians 1:6
 - iii. Know the Grace of God in Truth
- d. John 17:17
 - i. Sanctified by the Truth – God's Word is Truth
 - ii. Jesus builds the Church through Acts 9:31
 - iii. (Act 9:31) [Amplified Classic Version] So the church throughout the whole of Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace and was edified [*growing in wisdom, virtue, and piety*] and walking in the respect *and* reverential fear of the Lord and in the consolation *and* exhortation of the Holy Spirit, continued to increase *and* was multiplied.
 - 1. Edification = building up the Spirit Man (Heart)
 - 2. Walking daily in respect to God's Word
 - 3. Walking in the Comfort of the Holy Spirit
 - a. Comfort = a call or summons to be instructed by the Holy Spirit which leads to refreshing
 - b. John 16:13
 - c. Psalm 23:2-3
 - iv. John 6:63 = God's Word is Spirit & Truth

V. As the Elect Put on CHRIST

- a. Colossians 1:21-23
- b. Colossians 3:12-17