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Pursuing Holiness Pt.5

Heb.12:14 (b)

‘Study to show thyself approved unto God...’ – 2 Timothy 2:15
The importance of reading and learning God’s word is a vital part of both growing and also experiencing the blessing of belonging to God the Father through His Son, Jesus Christ.

This truth is one of the purposes why we wish to offer you these sermon notes which are to be used while listening to the sermon.

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Roadmap of where we have been and where we are going:

Enduring Faith Defined (11:1) Exemplified (11:2-40), and finally its application Commanded (12:1-26).

INTRODUCTION – Today we continue our understanding of Biblical Holiness & Sanctification.

HOW ARE WE GOING TO CONSIDER v.14 ?

v.14 (a) NC Duty #2 – Pursue Biblical Holiness (Sanctification).

1. Properly defining biblical holiness.

- (a) It's Vital
- (b) It's Dangerous

2. Mistaken definitions, concepts, and ideas of holiness.

- (a) Theological / Doctrinal
- (b) Practical / Applicatory

3. What is biblical holiness?

- (a) Justification, Adoption, Sanctification *carefully* guarded and defined.
- (b) What can holiness do and not do?
- (c) God's Holiness and Our holiness.

4. What is the source of this Holiness?

- (a) Jesus' blood and Covenant.
- (b) The Trinity's role and involvement.

How is holiness lived out?

- (a) Practical or sensational?
- (b) What does 'pursuing' holiness feel and look like?
- (c) Hinderances to pursuing holiness.

5. v.14 (b) NON-NEGOTIAL – The necessity of Holiness.

- 1. Recall the context
- 2. Survey supporting passages.
- 3. Make deductions and applications.

I. RECALL THE CONTEXT

What are the 'fundamentals' of perseverance in the faith?

1. True biblical faith
2. Understanding the nature of the Christian race.
3. Keeping Christ central.
4. Accepting God's discipleship and chastening.

➤ What is the correct meaning and interpretation of this text?

2LCF 1:9 "The infallible rule of interpretation of Scripture is the Scripture itself; and therefore, when there is a question about the true and full sense of any Scripture (which is not manifold but one), it must be searched by other places that speak more clear."

II. PAUL'S PURSUIT of HOLINESS (Rom.6:1-8:15)

1. The New Nature of the Christian.
 - (a) Union with Christ.
 - (b) Passions of our 'mortal bodies'.
 - (c) Sin as an enemy.
 - (d) New ability/strength to resist.
2. The Old Nature of the Christian.
 - (a) It's reality.
 - (b) Its presence highlights the New Nature.
3. Paul's ongoing pursuit.
 - (a) Rom.8:18-23 we're not home yet.
 - (b) Holiness is a life-long endeavor.

III. FINAL DEDUCTIONS on the NECESSITY of HOLINESS

1. Pursuing holiness is necessary – because we have a new nature, birthed by the Spirit of God.
2. Pursuing holiness is necessary - because we have remaining sin that robs from us the many blessings God desires for us that

accompany conformity to Christ.

3. Pursuing holiness is necessary – because without it, a person reflects a life that is indifferent to God’s authority over them as their Creator, which is the mind of a non-believer.
4. Pursuing holiness is necessary – because Jesus died to not only save us from the condemnation of sin, but also from the power and dominion of sin. To ever cease in pursuing holiness is to mock his sacrifice upon the cross.
5. Pursuing holiness is necessary – because simply – GOD commands it, to ignore or treat it with indifference is to be in rebellion against Him.