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# HOLINESS

Chapter 3



■ *“I believe I might have chosen a subject more popular and pleasant. I am sure I might have found one more easy to handle... but not one more seasonable and more profitable to our souls...” Ryle pg. 63*

“Without holiness, no man shall see the Lord.” Hebrews 12:14

# Meaning of “Holiness”

- Hebrew meaning:
- Qodesh = apartness, sacredness, or separateness
- Greek meaning:
- Hagios = pure, morally blameless or set apart

### ▀ 3 Sections of Ryle's Chapter on Holiness

1. The Nature of True Practical Holiness
2. The Importance of Practical Holiness
3. Application and Advice

## ▀ The Nature of True Practical Holiness

1. The habit of being of one mind with God

2. Endeavor to shun sin and keep  
commandments

Romans 7:22

Psalms 1:2

Matthew 5:17-19

▀ The Nature of True Practical Holiness  
(*continued*)

3. Follow after spiritual mindedness

4. Follow after the fear of God

## ■ The Nature of True Practical Holiness (continued)

5. Strive to be like our Lord Jesus Christ and follow after.....

*-meekness, longsuffering, gentleness,  
patience, kind tempers, government of the  
tongue*

*-temperance and self-denial*

*-charity and brotherly kindness*

*-purity of heart*

*-humility*

*-faithfulness*



## Progressive Sanctification

*“I do not say for a moment that holiness shuts out the presence of indwelling sin. No far from it. It is the greatest misery of a holy man that he carries about with him a body of death; that often when he would do good, evil is trying to draw him back at every step he takes...” Ryle pg. 68*



## ■ The Importance of Practical Holiness

*We must be holy because:*

1. The voice of God in Scripture commands it (Matthew 5:48, Philippians 3:12-14)
2. This is one grand end and purpose for which Christ came into the world (Eph. 5:25-26, Titus 2:14)
3. This is the only sound evidence that we have a saving faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. (James 2:17)

## ■ The Importance of Practical Holiness (continued)

*We Must be Holy Because...*

4. This is the only proof that we love the Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity (John 14:15)
5. This is the only sound evidence that we are true children of God
6. This is the most likely way to do good to others

■ The Importance of Practical Holiness  
*(continued)*

*We Must be Holy Because...*

7. Our present comfort depends much upon it. (1 John 3:18-19)

8. Without holiness on earth we shall never be prepared to enjoy heaven

## ▀ Ryle's Application

*2 Questions to ask yourself:*

1. Are you holy?

2. Do you think you feel the importance of holiness as much as you should?



## Advice from Ryle:

If you want to be holy, then you must begin with Christ, for...

*“He is the root and beginning of all holiness, and the way to be holy is to come to him by faith and be joined to Him.” Ryle pg. 80*