

The Importance of Holiness and Unity
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Lesson 1: God's pattern is to have an "_____ " and "_____ " (Matt 21:31; Mark 4:11; Luke 16:16; Col 4:5; 1 Thes 4:12; 1 Tim 3:7; 1 Cor 5:12-13; Rev 22:14-15).

Lesson 2: _____ creates the boundary between the inside and outside (1 Pet 1:15; Heb 12:14).

Lesson 3: Holiness in the church means avoiding _____ (Rom 12:2; 1 John 2:15-16; Jam 4:4).

Lesson 4: Those outside observe our:

- (Part I) _____ (John 17:20-23; Gal 6:10).
- (Part II) _____ (1 Cor 6:6-7; Pro 6:16-19; Rom 16:17; Titus 3:10).

Family Worship Guide
Memory Verse: Galatians 6:10

Day 1: Read Matt 21:31, 25:10; Mark 4:11; Luke 16:16; Col 4:5; 1 Thes 4:12; 1 Tim 3:7; 2 Tim 2:21; Jam 4:8; 1 John 1:9 and discuss: When do we see an "inside" and "outside" in the Old Testament? What about in the New Testament? Why is it God's pattern to have an "inside" and "outside"? Can you think of times in Scripture people moved from the "outside" to the "inside"? What about the other way around?

Day 2: Read 1 John 2:15-17, 1 Cor 5:12-13 cf. Lev 24:14; Deut 17:7, 19:19, 22:21, 24, 24:7 and discuss: Why is holiness so important to the church too? How does holiness create a boundary between the "inside" and "outside," or between the church and the world? What does this holiness look like?

Day 3: Read John 17:20-23, 13:35, Gal 6:10 and discuss: Why is unity so important, or in other words: what does unity communicate to the onlooking world? Why do you think it communicates this? What can you do to help strengthen the unity at CBC? Why are seasons of intense suffering in the body such great witnessing/outreach opportunities?

Day 4: Read 1 Cor 6:6-7, Pro 6:16-19, Rom 16:17, Titus 3:10 and discuss: What are the greatest threats to our unity? To our witness? Why did Paul tell the Corinthians to "suffer loss"? What are the six things God hates? Why such strong verses reserved for divisive people, or in other words, why are divisive people such threats to the church? What exactly do they threaten? How should the church handle them?