

Kingdom Living In A Dying World

1 Peter 1:14-21

As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with

perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

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Romans 12:2

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Colossians 3:5-7

Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming. **In these you too once walked, when you were living in them.**

**but as he who called you is holy,
you also be holy** in all your conduct,
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for I am holy.”

1 Thessalonians 2:12

we exhorted each one of you and encouraged you and charged you to **walk in a manner worthy of God, who calls you** into his own kingdom and glory.

Ephesians 5:1-2

Therefore **be imitators of God**, as beloved children. And **walk in love**, as **Christ loved us** and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

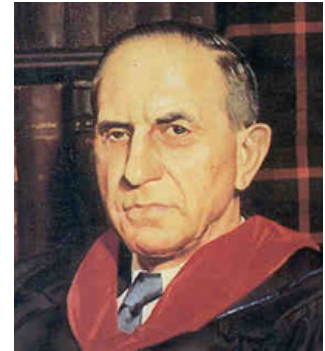
Luke 6:40

A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is **fully trained will be like his teacher.**

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Remove from Scripture the
transcendent holiness,
righteousness, and truth of God and
Scripture's ethic disintegrates.

– John Murray



Leviticus 20:26

You shall be holy to me, for I the LORD am holy and **have separated you from the peoples**, that you should be mine.

2 Corinthians 7:1

Since we have these promises,
beloved, let us **cleanse ourselves
from every defilement of body
and spirit**, bringing **holiness** to
completion in the fear of God.

To be holy 'as God is holy' includes a full and pervading holiness that reaches to every aspect of our personalities. It involves not only avoiding outward sin but also maintaining an instinctive delight in God and his holiness as an undercurrent of heart and mind throughout the day.

– Wayne Grudem



And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, **conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile,**

Fear—not the servile fear that the prisoner has for his torturer, but the filial fear that a child has for his parents, whom he respects. This is a fear of offending, disappointing, or misrepresenting, a fear born in reverence in a spirit of adoration.

– R.C. Sproul



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Romans 2:6-7

He will render to each one **according to his works**: to those who by patience in well-doing seek for glory and honor and immortality, he will give eternal life;

Revelation 20:12

And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Then another book was opened, which is the book of life. And the dead were judged by what was written in the books, **according to what they had done.**

The place of our works at the judgment is to serve as corroborating evidence that we did indeed put our trust in Christ. Therefore when we are acquitted and welcomed into the kingdom it will not be earned by works but it will be according to works. There will be an “accord” or an agreement between our salvation and our works.

– John Piper



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who **judges impartially** according
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yourselves with fear throughout the
time of your exile,

This holy Judge we now call “Father,”
a term indicating intimacy and love
but also respect and submission. That
is, though we now call God “Father”,
as Jesus taught (Matt. 6:9), we must
not let that familiarity with God
degrade his holiness, for God is just
and his judgment will be just.

– Scot McKnight



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Deuteronomy 7:8

but it is because the LORD loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the LORD has brought you out with a mighty hand and **redeemed you from the house of slavery**, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

Deuteronomy 15:15

You shall remember that **you were a slave** in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God **redeemed you**; therefore I command you this today.

He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and **gave him glory**, so that your faith and hope are in God.

John 1:29

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold, **the Lamb of God**, who takes away the sin of the world!

Revelation 5:9-10

And they sang a new song, saying, “**Worthy are you to take the scroll** and to open its seals, for you were slain, and **by your blood you ransomed people for God** from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth.”

It is written, "They overcame through the blood of the Lamb." How could they do otherwise? He who fights with the precious blood of Jesus, fights with a weapon which cannot know defeat. The blood of Jesus! sin dies at its presence, death ceases to be death: heaven's gates are opened. The blood of Jesus! we shall march on, conquering and to conquer, so long as we can trust its power!

– Charles Spurgeon



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in God.