

## Come let us Grow Together: Praise the Beauty of Holiness

Come let us Grow Together is a weekly series that deals with the many topical categories that exist within the Word of God. The purpose of this series is to grow in wisdom, knowledge, and understanding in things pertaining to God.

And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed singers unto the LORD, and that should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army, and to say, Praise the LORD; for his mercy endureth for ever. And when they began to sing and to praise, the LORD set ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, which were come against Judah; and they were smitten. (2 Chron 20:21-22)

Holiness is an essential trait that we as Christians need to develop and live by. Not only do we need to develop and live by this trait, we need to Praise the Beauty of Holiness! For our Lord is Holy!! And without being Holy we will not see God!!

Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord: (Heb 12:14)

But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy. (1 Peter 1:15-16)

God instructed the children of Israel to Praise the Beauty of Holiness!! They did this by sending up praises to God and singing songs to Him!! “And when they began to sing and to praise, the LORD set ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, which were come against Judah; and they were smitten.”

We also see that the Lord instructed us to be Holy even as He is Holy!! We were told that this included our conversations!! We also received instruction that if you do not follow after peace and holiness, you will not see God!!

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. (Rm 12:1-2)

We have received further instructions of the Lord, that following after Holiness also involves your body!! We are to present our bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God!! How do we do this? Verse 2 gave us the answer. “And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.”

Do not be conformed to the world and to do this we need to be transformed by the renewing of your mind. We must think differently!! We must behave differently!! We must present our

bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God!! WHICH IS YOUR REASONABLE SERVICE!!

For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever. (1 Jh 2:16-17)

Abstain from all appearance of evil. And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Thess 5:22-23)

Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty. (2 Cor 6:17-18)