



Lesson 98 Holy and Pure

In the words we received this week the Holy Spirit began by declaring that our God is Holy and pure.

Holy and Pure

He encouraged us to likewise seek to be holy and pure, to be like Him.

08/01/12 CT – **Holy and pure, this is your God. Seek to be holy and pure.**

His words reminded me of these verses from the bible:

Leviticus 11:44-45 *For I AM the LORD your God. You shall therefore consecrate yourselves, and **you shall be holy; for I AM holy**. Neither shall you defile yourselves with any creeping thing that creeps on the earth. For I AM the LORD who brings you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God. **You shall therefore be holy, for I AM holy**.*

Leviticus 19:1-2 *And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, "Speak to all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say to them: '**You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy**.'*

Leviticus 20:7 *'Consecrate yourselves therefore, and **be holy, for I am the LORD your God**. And you shall keep My statutes, and perform them: I AM the LORD who sanctifies you.'*

1 Peter 1:13-16 *Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance; but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, because it is written, "**Be holy, for I am holy**."*

Several of these verses talked about consecrating ourselves in regards to being 'holy'. So I decided to look up the definition of consecrate just to make sure I really understood what it means to consecrate yourself.

Consecrate means to make, to declare sacred, to set apart or to dedicate to the service of God; to make something an object of honor or veneration, to hallow, to devote, to dedicate to some purpose, to admit to or ordain to a sacred office.

Therefore when we are told, 'Consecrate yourselves therefore, and **be holy, for I am the LORD your God**, we are being told to **devote** ourselves, to **set ourselves apart**, to **Be holy** as He is holy. And we are **dedicating** ourselves to the **service of God**. Consequently, this helps us to understand just how important it is to consecrate ourselves unto Him.

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Prepare

As I was working on this lesson another phrase from the verses above grabbed my attention, the Lord had it catch my attention because He was using it, as it relates to being holy. The phrase was, *gird up the loins of your mind*, if you remember it came from

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I was led by the Lord to look up the definition for this thought, this concept. I found this definition that relates to “girding up your loins”: *to gird (up) one’s loins means to prepare oneself for something that requires readiness, strength or endurance. A person’s loins is considered to be the seat of their physical strength and generative power. Thus when we are told to gird up the loins of your mind we are being told to prepare our *mind*, get it ready, make it strong, make it ready for the long haul, make it ready to endure.*

And then I had an, “Oh, my goodness!” moment. I realized that the Lord was telling them, and telling us now for that matter, to prepare. Yes, when it was said to *gird up the loins of your mind*, they, we, were being told to get prepared, to get ready. This blasted me forward in time to today and just how many times The Lord has told us to prepare ourselves (i.e. *gird up the loins of your mind*).

Here are a few examples just from the past month of July where the Lord has encouraged us to prepare ourselves:

07/02/12 CT Dream – Got something like “Now’s the time to begin to prepare.”

07/04/12 DP - Prepare and be ready in the hour you think not I come. I AM.

07/06/12 DP - Be one with Me in all things, togetherness in Me, I await your arrival. Prepare, tell the others to be prepared.

07/14/12 BN - Holy of Holies – The point is not to have rules but to prepare you to enter into Me, Always let Me lead.

07/16/12 FJ - Prepare more, it’s a journey for your soul, bread to eat. Muster your strength I will guide you with mine eye. Seek me in the AM everyday. Pursue me and my thoughts. You must learn the technicalities the ins and outs of my ways. Draw closer, don’t rest. I am coming like a thief in the night to those who aren’t watching.

07/17/12 CT – Jewels, be my jewel. Shine for me! Be the person I want you to be. Prepare yourself now. Do those things I have instructed you to do.

07/24/12 MVA - Each day is a new day. Take what is learned and move forward. Much guidance, instruction, and correction - Absorb. Take to heart all My guidance. You have done well, do not be discouraged, be encouraged. Instruction and guidance are refinement. Implement correction and move forward with your God Jesus. Study be ready. Prepare.

07/24/12 DP - Silence produced sweet savor. My throne room of grace, outpouring, be prepared, overflowing grace. Receive (Overflowing grace received) Time is short. I will come for My own, be prepared.

We can see through the words how the Lord has been and continues to encourage us to **“Be holy, for I am holy.”** He is asking the same of us today. He asked once again through the words He gave this week:

08/01/12 CT – **Holy and pure, this is your God. Seek to be holy and pure.**

We are to seek to be like Him. We are to seek to be Holy and pure but we must realize that it takes preparation. It is something we have to get our mind wrapped around. We have to want it. We have to seek it. We have to do it. We have to get prepared when we are seeking to be holy and pure.

Our Speech

So we understand the Lord wants us to be pure and Holy. But do we realize why He wants us to be pure and Holy. Well, first I think I have to say that there are probably many reasons why He wants this for us. A couple of reasons that pop into my mind right off the bat are first, it is for our own good, for protection, for safety. And then we know that the Lord's bride cannot be harlotrous. Yes, there are many reasons, more than I have named in fact, but I think this week He is encouraging us in this regard with an entirely different purpose in mind from what I have mentioned. He has a purpose and I believe that purpose is revealed through these words He gave:

Don't embellish what is already perfect (that which is made by Him, inclusive of words). Give the credit to your God Jesus. Include Him in your speaking. Call on His name as there is power in His name. As you say His name it open doors. It creates openings for others to walk through.

The first point that I, of course, realized is that our speech must be pure and holy.

Psalm 34:13 *Keep your tongue from evil, and your lips from speaking deceit.*

Ephesians 4:25 *Therefore, putting away lying, “Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor”, for we are members of one another.*

James 3:2-10 *For we all stumble in many things. If anyone does not stumble in word, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle the whole body. Indeed, we put bits in horses' mouths that they may obey us, and we turn their whole body. Look also at ships; although they are so large and are driven by fierce winds, they are turned by a very small rudder, wherever the pilot desires.*

Even so the tongue is a little member and boasts great things. See how great a forest a little fire kindles! And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity. The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set of fire by hell.

For every kind of beast and bird, or reptile and creature of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by mankind. But no man can tame the tongue, it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the similitude of God. Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so.

Jesus even says that we will have to give an account:

Matthew 12:36-37 *“But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give an account of it in the day of judgment. For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.”*

Consequently, we can see that our speech holds much power. And hopefully, it is a reflection of where we are in our walk. Our speech needs to accurately relate what is: What is in our heart. What is in our mind. What is in our soul. What is in our spirit.

Many years ago before I knew of keeping flow books the Lord told me this. He said, *“I am going to give you a truth. You are created in God’s image through the gift of words.”* He then reminded me of a couple of scriptures.

Genesis 3:3 *Then God said, “Let there be light”; and there was light.*

Romans 10:9-10 *... if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.*

The world was created by the spoken word. Salvation is received by confessing Christ in your own words. And I was told these words we use, this ability we have is a gift. No other living creation of the Lord has been given the gift of words. Yes, words do have power. This is why it is so very important that our speech should be reflective of our relationship with our Lord Jesus.

Power in His Name

But let’s not overlook an important element of the words we just studied from this week. Those that said,

Give the credit to your God Jesus. Include Him in your speaking. Call on His name as there is power in His name. As you say His name it open doors. It creates openings for others to walk through.

And the bible has taught us this about His name:

Jeremiah 10:6 *Inasmuch as there is none like You, O LORD, (You are great, and Your name is great in might),*

Acts 2:21 *And it shall come to pass that whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.*

Philippians 2:8-11 *And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

Yes, there is power in His name. It is a name of might. It is a name that we are to include in our speech. Therefore, it is very important that our speech is clean and pure. Could you imagine speaking His name in one sentence and then in the next speaking an untruth, or gossiping or even cursing, could you imagine this? This is just another one of the reasons for

us to **“Be holy, for I am holy.”** It is about reverence unto Him. It would not be correct for us to speak His name but then at the same time be impure or unclean by lying or gossiping or defiling ourselves by an untamed tongue.

The Holy Spirit said, **Give the credit to your God Jesus. Include Him in your speaking. Call on His name as there is power in His name. As you say His name it open doors.** I was thinking about this statement, **it open doors**, and as I was thinking about it I realized that saying His name not only opens doors for ourselves but it opens doors for others as well.

It is because, you see, when we give the credit to Jesus we are acknowledging Him as our Lord and King. He is the one in control. When we, reverently, include His name in our speech we are in effect making another confession of our belief in Him. And when we **“Call on His name”**, we are calling on His power, we are acknowledging His might, and we are recognizing His authority over the entirety of His creation.

It opens doors to us because it is a reaffirmation of our belief. It recharges our battery so to speak. It opens doors for others because it introduces them to faith. It introduces them to the possibility of a sovereign King operating in their lives as well.

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Yes, the very mentioning of His name opens the door.

Denying Him

If the mere mention of His name opens the door then it would follow that the omitting of His name would keep the door closed. If we do not confess His name with our own words then we do not receive the benefits of this confession. We have been taught this very thing on the Take His Heart website when we learned about the 48% of God’s children who are missing out on being in Heaven! See: <http://www.takehisheart.com/pdf/salvationbook.pdf>

From the Mechanics Of Salvation booklet we learned:

One, that there is a problem in the doctrines of the churches which was forecasted in the Bible. Second, that the way through the Strait Gate (unto salvation) is extremely easy.

The people who were not allowed in through the Strait Gate were not allowed in because they did not have legal entry. They did not have legal entry because they did not do what the Lord said must be done in order to get in. They did not confess Christ properly. Remember the verse from above that we read,

Romans 10:9-10 ... if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

This is why I talk about the “mechanics” of salvation. The Lord wanted me to understand **Matthew 10 :32 Whosoever therefore shall confess me before (to, at, against) men, him will I confess before (to, at, against) my Father which is in heaven.** This is a guarantee, a positive drive, an absolute, that when we make a profession to another person, it moves Jesus in Heaven!

Paul starts out in Romans 10:6 in general, saying how we move God! He then reveals our salvation lies in two steps, not three or more. Those two steps, believe unto righteousness and confess unto salvation! When we do this, we move Jesus like Matthew 10:32 says! **It is a promise!**

You can see how important it is to properly confess Christ. We have talked about the power in His name and the mere speaking of it in belief provides our salvation. And we have talked about how speaking of Him opens doors. Therefore, we must not underestimate the power of, the importance of His children speaking His name, speaking of Him.

The Holy Spirit then added this,

Many are afraid to say His name now. They don't want to offend those who don't believe. They want to be "Politically Correct" but leaving him out is a form of denying Him. This is not good.

It is not good because we are not offering up reaffirmations. It is not good because we are not recharging our batteries. It is not good because we are not opening up doors for others. But fore mostly it is not good because allowing the world to determine what is correct for you is in effect allowing the world to be your authority. You are at that point denying His sovereignty over you because you are submitting to what is perceived by the world as being "Politically Correct". We have been told, **leaving him out is a form of denying Him.** And, **This is not good.**

A Gentle Spirit

Now saying this, the Lord knows just how we humans operate. He understands that when He goes and tells us to not be afraid of saying His name, He knows that we are then going to just about drive everyone crazy talking about Him. We are going to talk about Him to everyone we meet. We will talk about Him to the lady checking us out at the grocery. We will talk about Him to the guy repairing our car. We will not be speaking gently but forcefully trying to get that confession out of everyone of them. We become pushy and overbearing. We lose the spirit of what He is saying and our spirit takes over because this is what we want. But the Holy Spirit thoughtfully added this,

Say His name. There is power in His name. Declare it but declare it with a gentle spirit, with a spirit of grace. This is how it should be. Amen!

I think the point that He is trying to get over to us here is that we are not to be forceful with our talk of Him, with our speech. Yes, we are to say His name. You could say we are to give Him the reverence and acknowledgement that is due Him but I believe through these last words He is teaching us to say them gently, with a spirit of grace, one could even say with a spirit of moderation.

Previously, the Lord has taught that we don't need to go out seeking whom we are to talk to. He will bring them to us. We just have to make sure to say something to those He does bring. Yes, we are to **include Him** in our everyday speech because it will open many doors that we are not even aware of. And yes, we are to **include Him** in our speech because there is power in His name. But remember we are to be holy and pure. Forcefulness and pushiness are not a part of holiness and purity. They are a part of self.

I think now's a good time for us to look at all the words He gave, to put them together so that we can get the full picture of what He is saying:

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Many are afraid to say His name now. They don't want to offend those who don't believe. They want to be "Politically correct" but leaving him out is a form of denying Him. This is not good. Say His name. There is power in His name. Declare it but declare it with a gentle spirit, with a spirit of grace. This is how it should be. Amen!

I think a clue to His thinking comes in His words, include Him in your speaking and don't embellish what is already perfect (that which is made by Him, inclusive of words). Declare it with a gentle spirit, with a spirit of grace. Yes, we are to declare our God Jesus in our everyday speech. We are to speak gently and with a spirit of grace.

Summation

The Lord began this lesson by encouraging us to be pure and holy. Through His words in the bible He asked us to consecrate ourselves, or in other words, to dedicate ourselves to His service. We are not to go about embellishing on what is already perfect, for embellishment would be from us, not from the Lord.

He spoke these words because He wants to clearly paint a picture for our minds. It is a picture of devotion and of love. He would like for us to share this picture with others. Yet He wants it shared on His terms not ours. We are not to go about inserting self or allow the world for that matter to be in control. We should not worry as to whether or not we are being "Politically Correct" but instead speak what the Lord has placed in our hearts.

No, we are to share what we have come to know. We are to share the wonder of His name and we are to share it with grace and humility by giving the credit to our God Jesus. We do this by including Him in our speaking. After all it is all about Him, our Lord, our Savior.

Here are some additional words the Lord gave this week:

07/26/12 MVA- Be positive be a encouragement to others.

07/27/12 SN - Keep a close watch on things you say. SN – Come in the light is on, Go now and preach and teach the good news, (Anything specific), You are to teach Godly attributes, (Can you explain), Try to remember what you look like, Things will be certain, You must plan and prepare accordingly, Use your knowledge to gain insight, Further teaching is required, That's all for now, go in peace My child, Serve Me well.

07-28-12 FJ - Mighty acts, roaring lion caged. Suspended. Nations will tell of my mighty acts. Coming to test you. Soon. Transparency. Your words shall testify of me. Make haste, heal the blind, capture me. Muffled. Spotless pull in and join the others you will gain. My believers walk, no pride in the way. Don't write me off. Granted. You may go.

07/29/12 BN - Humble, Yes humility is good in My sight, I want you to go forth from Me confident that you will be able to speak the truth when the time is right, I will be with you to give you the words and strength.

07/31/12 DP - Spread My gospel, Gladly King Jesus, Make time for all who have questions, Far reaching the effects of one yielded vessel.

07/31/12 SN - Boldly preach the truth.

08-1-12 FJ Golden Meeting - Come prepared to seek Me. Your words testify of Me. What I instill in you. Go! With what I say and...Do! With bare hands, repeat. Sacrifice at the burnt offering. This a hero's war. Throughout history, I have drawn on the needy. Hear what I'm saying. Take comfort in knowing that I am here and will never forsake you. Comfort given. You may go.

And remember,

Colossians 3:17 *And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.*

Call on His name as there is power in His name. Include Him in your speaking. Declare it but declare it with a gentle spirit, with a spirit of grace. This is how it should be. Amen!

May The Lord Bless and Keep You,
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