

SPRING TERM 2024 – WEEK 9

**BUILDING A COMMUNITY  
THAT IS HOLY**

*'BE HOLY BECAUSE I, THE LORD YOUR GOD,  
AM HOLY.'* LEVITICUS 19:2B

*BE PERFECT, THEREFORE, AS YOUR HEAVENLY  
FATHER IS PERFECT. MATTHEW 5:48*

*<sup>15</sup> BUT JUST AS HE WHO CALLED YOU IS  
HOLY, SO BE HOLY IN ALL YOU DO; <sup>16</sup> FOR IT  
IS WRITTEN: 'BE HOLY, BECAUSE I AM HOLY.'  
1 PETER 1*

TOO MUCH OF OUR HISTORY IN THE CHURCH HAS PRODUCED A CONCAVE HOLINESS THAT HAS FOCUSED ON SIN AVOIDANCE AND WITHDRAWAL FROM THE WORLD ... IT WAS LEGALISTIC AND PHARISAICAL ... AND THE ATTITUDE THAT OFTEN ACCOMPANIED THIS WAS A JUDGMENT AND CONDEMNATION OF THE WORLD AROUND US.

JOHN MCGINLEY

### QUESTION ONE

WHAT EXAMPLES OF CONCAVE AND CONVEX HOLINESS CAN YOU RECALL?



'YOU ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH.

'YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD. A TOWN  
BUILT ON A HILL CANNOT BE HIDDEN.

MATTHEW 5.13, 14

I KNOW YOUR DEEDS, THAT YOU ARE NEITHER  
COLD NOR HOT. I WISH YOU WERE EITHER ONE  
OR THE OTHER!

REVELATION 3:14

## QUESTION TWO

WHAT ARE THE CHALLENGES OF BEING  
CHRISTIANLY DISTINCT IN OUR MODERN  
SOCIETY?

IF YOU WERE PUT ON TRIAL FOR BEING A  
CHRISTIAN, WOULD THERE BE ENOUGH  
EVIDENCE TO SECURE A CONVICTION?

BILLY GRAHAM

DIRTY HOLINESS ...



<sup>18</sup> WHILE HE WAS SAYING THIS, A SYNAGOGUE LEADER CAME AND KNELT BEFORE HIM AND SAID, 'MY DAUGHTER HAS JUST DIED. BUT COME AND PUT YOUR HAND ON HER, AND SHE WILL LIVE.' <sup>19</sup> JESUS GOT UP AND WENT WITH HIM, AND SO DID HIS DISCIPLES.

<sup>20</sup> JUST THEN A WOMAN WHO HAD BEEN SUBJECT TO BLEEDING FOR TWELVE YEARS CAME UP BEHIND HIM AND TOUCHED THE EDGE OF HIS CLOAK. <sup>21</sup> SHE SAID TO HERSELF, 'IF I ONLY TOUCH HIS CLOAK, I WILL BE HEALED.'

<sup>22</sup> JESUS TURNED AND SAW HER. 'TAKE HEART, DAUGHTER,' HE SAID, 'YOUR FAITH HAS HEALED YOU.' AND THE WOMAN WAS HEALED AT THAT MOMENT.

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### QUESTION THREE

WHAT MIGHT DIRTY HOLINESS LOOK LIKE FOR  
US ... AND WHAT ARE THE CHALLENGES?

1. CONFESSION OF ALL KNOWN SIN
2. REPENTANCE AND RESTITUTION
3. OBEDIENCE AND SURRENDER TO THE HS
4. PUBLIC CONFESSION OF CHRIST

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