

Pursuit of Holiness – Part 2

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I. Introduction.

A. Text: Romans 12:1-2.

B. Mercy is God’s love in our helpless state and God’s grace is his love in our undeserving state.

II. God’s mercy is motive and motivation to put ourselves completely at the disposal of God.

A. As long as people are dealing with guilt, they are not motivated to pursue holiness. (Romans 4:4-5)

B. The score is always settled in Jesus Christ, and his righteousness is always accredited to us.

C. Christians need to keep preaching the gospel to themselves. (Romans 4:8)

D. We live by the grace of God. (Romans 5:1; Ephesians 2:3; Romans 8:1)

III. We need to make an overarching commitment to holiness.

IV. We need to make specific commitments to holiness.

V. The world will squeeze us into its pattern unless we allow the Spirit to transform us.

A. We are to be under the transforming power of the Word of God and develop Bible based convictions.

B. The Spirit will take this convictions and apply them to our lives. (Ephesians 4:23)

Application questions:

1. How would you differentiate our responsibility and God’s responsibility in our holiness?

2. What role does the Bible play in our holiness?

3. What is your action plan for holiness this week?
