

Embrace
Holy
Living

RE- FLECTING GOD

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1 Peter 1:13?2:3

"I am the LORD who makes you holy. (Leviticus 20:7-8)" To be a holy disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ is the action of God. It is his work in our hearts at a specific time and continues as our condition and relationship.

What does that look like in practical day-to-day, "shoe-leather" living? Pure motives, sincere intentions, although not always flawless behavior, are characteristics of my personal journey. Living daily in openness, honesty, transparency, and responsiveness to the Holy Spirit are soothing, pleasant harmonies of holiness. A willingness to confess our short-falls and inconsistencies are accurate indicators of our interior direction. vulnerable self-esteem, we thwart our spiritual growth and maturity.

When I take my car to the dealership for maintenance the mechanic lifts the hood to assess what needs to be changed and corrected. A mechanic has never "chewed me out" or criticized me for needing changes and corrections. Similarly, the Holy Spirit works in our hearts, not as our critic but as our Helper, Counselor, and Advocate!

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