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Be Holy

Leviticus 17-26
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Leviticus:
• Regulations for offerings (1-7).
• Regulations for the priests (8-10).
• Ritual purity (11-15).
• The Day of Atonement (16).
• The Holiness Code (17-26).
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What is holiness?

To be holy is to be uncommon, “other,” or set apart for a special purpose.
FOR School - Do not eat Daddy!
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God blessed the seventh day and made it holy because on it he ceased all the work that he had been doing in creation.

Genesis 2:3
God said, “Do not approach any closer! Take your sandals off your feet, for the place where you are standing is holy ground.”  

Exodus 3:5
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For I am the LORD who brought you up from the land of Egypt to be your God, and you are to be holy because I am holy.

Leviticus 11:45
Why should we be holy?

Because God is holy, and He wants us to be like Him, so that others can know Him!
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Seraphs stood over him; each one had six wings. With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and they used the remaining two to fly. They called out to one another, “Holy, holy, holy is the Lord who commands armies! His majestic splendor fills the entire earth!”

Isaiah 6:2–3
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Each one of the four living creatures had six wings and was full of eyes all around and inside. They never rest day or night, saying: “Holy Holy Holy is the Lord God, the All-Powerful, Who was and who is, and who is still to come!”

Revelation 4:8
How do we pursue holiness?

• With our worship (17, 21-22)
[The priests] shall be holy to their God and not profane the name of their God. For they offer the LORD’s food offerings, the bread of their God; therefore they shall be holy.

Leviticus 21:6
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How do we pursue holiness?

• With our worship (17, 21-22)
• With our bodies (18, 11-15).
And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, “Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, I am the LORD your God. You shall not do as they do in the land of Egypt, where you lived, and you shall not do as they do in the land of Canaan, to which I am bringing you.
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You shall not walk in their statutes. You shall follow my rules and keep my statutes and walk in them. I am the LORD your God.

Leviticus 18:1-4
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How do we pursue holiness?
• With our worship (17, 21-22)
• With our bodies (18, 11-15).
• With our relationships (19).
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You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

Leviticus 19:18
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How do we pursue holiness?
• With our worship (17, 21-22)
• With our bodies (18, 11-15).
• With our relationships (19).
• With our time (23).
• With our money and possessions (25)
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“The land shall not be sold in perpetuity, for the land is mine. For you are strangers and sojourners with me.

Leviticus 25:23
Holiness includes every aspect of life! There’s no such thing as “private sin,” but holiness isn’t all about personal purity, either.
What if we fail?

“If you walk in my statutes and observe my commandments and do them, then I will give you your rains in their season, and the land shall yield its increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit.

Leviticus 26:3-4
What if we fail?

“But if you will not listen to me and will not do all these commandments...then I will do this to you: I will visit you with panic, with wasting disease and fever that consume the eyes and make the heart ache. And you shall sow your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it.

Leviticus 26:14-16
What if we fail?

“Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke...
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What if we fail?

For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people...For I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

Jeremiah 31:31-34
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And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.

Luke 22:20
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Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant.

Hebrews 9:15
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As he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am holy”...Conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers,
BE HOLY not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

1 Peter 1:15–19
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• Where does your life fall short of God’s holiness?
• Pray for help.
• Develop new habits through His power.
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