

AA1. Aspiring to Godliness and Holiness.

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AA1a: *We are to aspire to godliness.*

AA1b: *We are to aspire to holiness.*

This precept is derived from His Word (blessed is He):

Key New Testament Scriptures

Romans 6:19

(I am using popular language because your human nature is so weak.) For just as you used to offer your various parts as slaves to impurity and lawlessness, which led to more lawlessness; so now offer your various parts as slaves to righteousness, which leads to being made holy, set apart for God.

1 Timothy 4:7-8

But refuse godless bubble-measures, and exercise yourself in godliness. For although physical exercise does have some value, godliness is valuable for everything, since it holds promise both for the present life and for the life to come.

2 Peter 3:11

Since everything is going to be destroyed like this, what kind of people should you be? You should lead holy and godly lives,

Additional New Testament Scriptures

Acts 26:17-18

Romans 6:19, 12:1, 13:14

2 Corinthians 6:17, 7:1

Ephesians 4:22-24

Colossians 3:12

1 Thessalonians 2:10, 4:3-4, 7

1 Timothy 1:9, 2:1-2, 6:11

2 Timothy 1:9, 3:2

Titus 2:3-5, 6-8, 12

Hebrews 12:15-16

1 Peter 1:15-16

2 Peter 1:5-7, 2:9-10, 3:14

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Supportive Tanakh Scriptures

Genesis 6:9

Here is the history of Noach. In his generation, Noach was a man righteous and wholehearted; Noach walked with God.

Deuteronomy 6:25

It will be righteousness for us if we are careful to obey all these mitzvot before ADONAI our God, just as he ordered us to do.

Comment

Godliness and holiness are intricately connected. “Godliness” means being God-like in character and deed, and “holiness” means being set apart for God.

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