



WEEK 7: BE HOLY

2 Peter 1:3-4 / 1 Peter 1:14-16

1. Since this is the last week of this series, let's pause and look back: what has been the most meaningful truth, challenge, or God-encounter for you in the God of Second Chances series?
2. Why do you think God designed our spiritual growth to have the gap between how He sees us (justification) and how we are actually developing (sanctification)? In what way(s) is holiness more of a process than a destination in our spiritual journey?
3. Do you view God more as the annoyed parent when you fail or as the parent cheering for you to try again and improve? What factors from your life influence your perspective? Which perspective do you see more evident in the Bible?
4. Holiness is more than morality. How do Jesus' words to the Pharisees in Matthew 23, underscore this truth? Why is it easy to mistake morality for holiness? In what way(s) does holiness include our morality? How is holiness more than morality?
5. How have you seen progress/growth in your pursuit of holiness over the last 6-12 months? What personal practices (prayer, Bible study, etc.) have helped you most? How has being in community (worship, classes, Journey Group, etc.) impacted your pursuit of holiness?
6. Rewrite or restate 2 Peter 1:3-4 in your own words. What insight does this give you? How do the truths in these verses make the call to holiness in 1 Peter 1:14-16 possible? What are your biggest obstacles in the pursuit of holiness? How can this group best come along side you to help you grow in your pursuit of holiness?