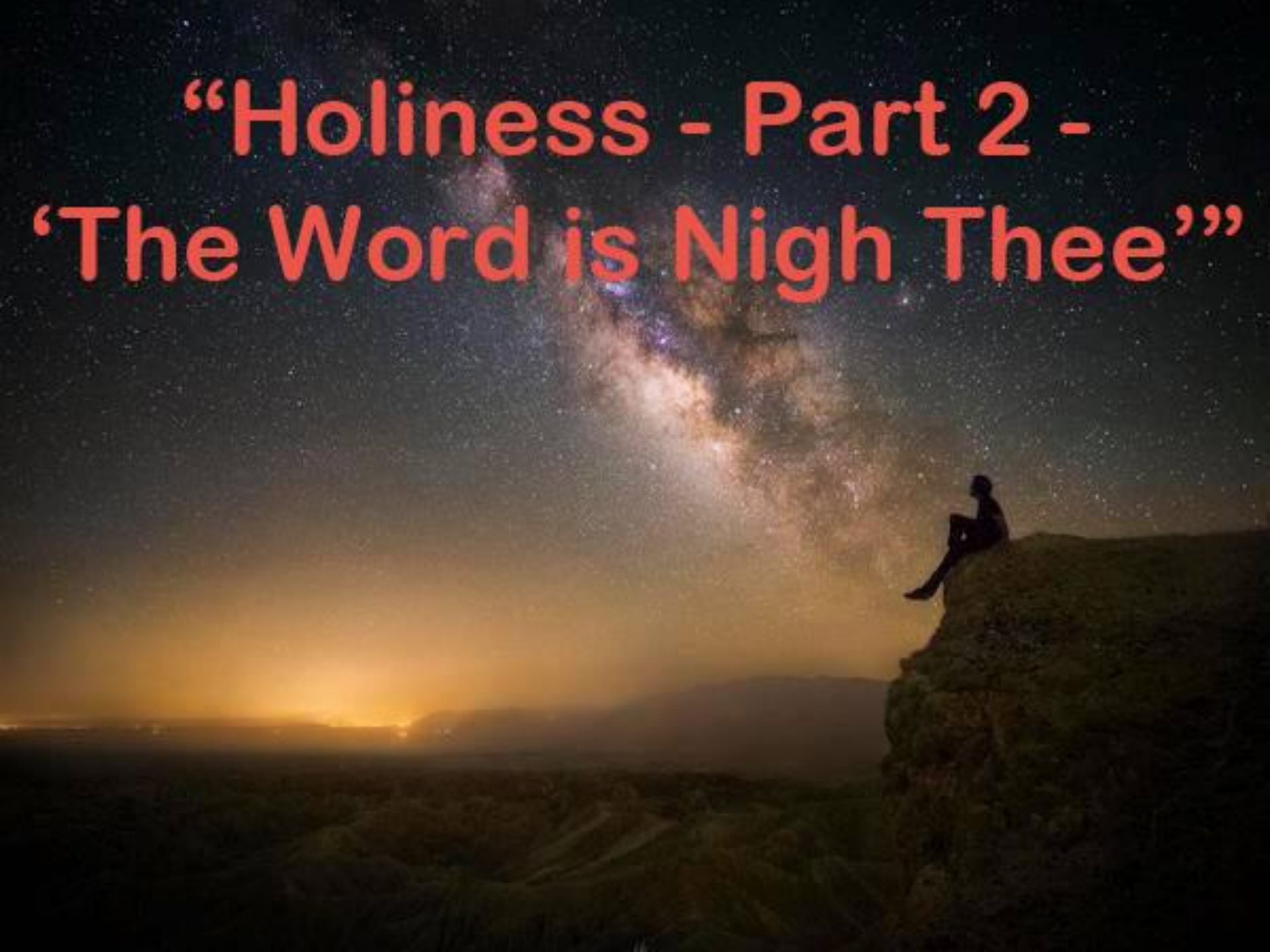


“Holiness - Part 2 - ‘The Word is Nigh Thee’”



John 1:1-9

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 The same was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. 4 In him was life; and **the life was the light of men**. 5 And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. 6 There was a man sent from God, whose name *was* John. 7 The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all *men* through him might believe. 8 He was not that Light, but *was sent* to bear witness of that Light. 9 *That* was the true Light, which **lighteth every man that cometh into the world**.

Deuteronomy 30:11-16

11 For this commandment which I command thee this day, it *is* not hidden from thee, neither *is* it far off. 12 It *is* not in heaven, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it? 13 Neither *is* it beyond the sea, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it? 14 **But the word is very nigh unto thee**, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it. 15 See, I have set before thee this day **life and good, and death and evil**; 16 In that I command thee this day to **love the LORD thy God**, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his judgments, that thou mayest live and multiply: and **the LORD thy God shall bless thee** in the land whither thou goest to possess it.

Hebrews 2:18b

he is able to succour them that are tempted.

We, as HIS brethren, are to be changed through grace...

GOD's grace today is sufficient for our growth.

We have direct access to GOD through the shed blood of Christ Jesus!

Isaiah 56:1-2

1 Thus saith the LORD, Keep ye judgment, and do justice: for my **salvation is near** to come, and my righteousness to be revealed. 2 Blessed *is* the man *that* doeth this, and the son of man *that* layeth hold on it; that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and **keepeth his hand from doing any evil.**

Righteous – Doing the right thing.

When laws are made, whether you like it or not, it is the LAW.

We have a rendezvous with destiny.

Proverbs 13:9

The light of the righteous rejoiceth: but the lamp of the wicked shall be put out.

Proverbs 13:25

The righteous eateth to the satisfying of his soul: but the belly of the wicked shall want.

Job 32:8-9

But *there is* a **spirit in man**: and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding.

Great men are not *always* wise: neither do the aged understand judgement.

I Corinthians 1:26-29

For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, *are called*:

But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty;

And base things of the world, and things which are despised, *yea*, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are:

That no flesh should glory in HIS presence.

Galatians 5:16-21

I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. 17 For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. 18 But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law. 19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are *these*; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, 20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, 21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told *you* in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

Colossians 1:1-29 (1-8)

1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and
Timotheus *our* brother, 2 To the saints and faithful brethren in
Christ which are at Colosse: Grace *be* unto you, and peace, from
God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 3 We give thanks to
God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for
you, 4 Since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus, and of the
love *which ye have* to all the saints, 5 For the hope which is laid
up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of
the truth of the gospel; 6 Which is come unto you, as *it is* in all
the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as *it doth* also in you, since
the day ye heard *of it*, and knew the grace of God in truth: 7 As
ye also learned of Epaphras our dear fellowservant, who is for
you a faithful minister of Christ; 8 Who also declared unto us
your love in the Spirit.

Colossians 1:1-29 (9-15)

9 For this cause we also, since the day we heard *it*, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; 10 That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; 11 Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness; 12 Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: 13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated *us* into the kingdom of his dear Son: 14 In whom we have redemption through his blood, *even* the forgiveness of sins: 15 Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:

Colossians 1:1-29 (16-22)

16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether *they be* thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: 17 And he is before all things, and by him all things consist. 18 And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all *things* he might have the preeminence. 19 For it pleased *the Father* that in him should all fulness dwell; 20 And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, *I say*, whether *they be* things in earth, or things in heaven. 21 And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in *your* mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled 22 In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unreprouable in his sight:

Colossians 1:1-29 (23-27)

23 If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and *be* not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, *and* which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister; 24 Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church: 25 Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to fulfil the word of God; 26 *Even* the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints: 27 To whom God would make known what *is* the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

Colossians 1:1-29 (28-29)

28 Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus: 29 Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.

Paul – A Pharisee, the son of a Pharisee:

Persecuted the Church of God.

Struck blind on the road to Damascus, after an encounter with Christ became a zealous follower of Jesus and went throughout the world preaching with the same fervent zeal he had before.

I Corinthians 6:14-20

14 And God hath both raised up the Lord, and will also raise up us by his own power. 15 Know ye not that your bodies are the members of Christ? shall I then take the members of Christ, and make *them* the members of an harlot? God forbid. 16 What? know ye not that he which is joined to an harlot is one body? for two, saith he, shall be one flesh. 17 But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit. 18 Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body. 19 What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost *which is* in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? 20 For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

Colossians 3:2 – 10

Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

4 When Christ, *who is* our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory. 5 Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry: 6 For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience: 7 In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them. 8 But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth. 9 Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds; 10 And have put on the new *man*, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:

Galatians 5:22-25

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, 23 Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. 24 And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. 25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

God has given us his Holy Spirit and Grace and we still have the free will he also gave to us, and we have choices to make continually throughout our life, with the fruit of the Spirit we have power through the Blood of Jesus Christ to make the right choices.

Romans 10:6-10a

6 But the righteousness which is of faith speaketh on this wise, Say not in thine heart, Who shall ascend into heaven? (that is, to bring Christ down *from above*;) 7 Or, Who shall descend into the deep? (that is, to bring up Christ again from the dead.) 8 But what saith it? **The word is nigh thee**, *even* in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach; 9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. 10a For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness;

Romans 5:19

For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.

II Corinthians 3:15-18

But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the veil is upon their heart.

Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, the veil shall be taken away.

Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord *is*, there *is* liberty.

But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, *even* as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Ephesians 2:1-22 (1-9)

1 And you *hath he quickened*, who were dead in trespasses and sins; 2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the **children of disobedience**: 3 Among whom also we had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others. 4 But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, 5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) 6 And hath raised *us* up together, and made *us* sit together in heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus: 7 That in the ages to come he might show the exceeding riches of his grace and *his* kindness toward us through Christ Jesus. 8 For by grace you are saved through faith; and not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God: 9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

Ephesians 2:1-22 (10-15)

10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them. 11 Wherefore remember, that ye *being* in times past Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called the Circumcision in the flesh made by hands; 12 That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world: 13 But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ. 14 For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition *between us*; 15 Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, *even* the law of commandments *contained* in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;

Ephesians 2:1-22 (16-22)

16 And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby: 17 And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh. 18 For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father. 19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God; 20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner *stone*; 21 In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord: 22 In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

Romans 1:3-6

3 Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh;

4 And declared *to be* the Son of God with power, **according to the spirit of holiness**, by the resurrection from the dead:

5 By whom we have received grace and apostleship, for obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name:

6 **Among whom are ye also the called of Jesus Christ:**

II Timothy 2: 8-10

8 Remember that Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead according to my gospel:

9 Wherein I suffer trouble, as an evil doer, *even* unto bonds; but the word of God is not bound.

10 Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is **in Christ Jesus** with eternal glory.

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but follow **righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.**

