

Lesson Topic: Women Living a Holy and Consecrated Life**Lesson Scriptures:** I Peter 1:13-16**Lesson Commentary:** *Dedicating our lives to holiness – a way of life, in service for our Lord!*

Praying, fasting, lifting up and opening our mouths to lost and dying world. The coming of Christ, His return is so close at hand. Who can we tell? Who can we share with? Who can we give the directions to? Who will listen? We must redeem the time. We do not have the amount of time left to work to the extent that Mother Anna had – years and years. We may only have a few more years, maybe only months, days, hours, moments. However, we must set ourselves to this God-inspired task, that of sanctifying ourselves and reaching others. Push up your sleeves! We have a task to carry out!

- *Perfecting holiness within ourselves*
- *Interceding for others*
- *Declaring the message of hope in word and deed – living epistles, read of men*
- *Contending for the Faith*

We can no longer remain powerless or spiritually barren. I implore you, Women, to see the great need like Abigail. Calamity is before us. We must make haste and secure our homes. We want to see the holiness of God implemented in our lives. Our main objective is more souls brought into the Kingdom of God. As we yield ourselves to the discipline of the Word, surrender our desires to align with His, He will grant us the desires of our hearts (Psalms 37:4-5).

Lesson Focus: How do we live holy in an unholy world?

- Realize that God desires us to be holy.
- Make a personal commitment to live holy.
- Renew this commitment every day.
- Develop daily examination of your heart and actions.
- Confess our sins & seek God's strength to maintain a life of holiness.
- Recognize that living holy is a lifelong endeavor, essential to our spiritual walk.

A holy life is _____ and _____ to God, set apart from _____ and its influence.

The practice of holiness develops and expresses God's _____ in our lives.

Holiness _____ our focus and priorities.

We can't develop this life of holiness _____.

God gives us His _____ to _____ to obey and empower us to overcome sin.

Ask the Savior to help you! Call on Him to _____ from sin's grip.

Lesson Questions:

1. What is the meaning of each phrase from I Peter 1:13-16?

- "Gird up the loins of your mind" _____
- "Be sober" _____
- "Hope to the end" _____
- "As obedient children" _____
- "Not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts" _____
- "But . . . be ye holy" _____

2. How did Prophetess Anna fulfill this scripture in her life? _____

3. Who sets the standard for morality and holiness? _____

Fill in the blanks:

4. God is _____ and is full of _____ and He will _____.
5. God does expect us to _____ Him by following His high _____.
6. Peter admonishes us to be like _____ in all we do.
7. Our salvation is a _____ from God.
8. The Holy Spirit _____ us from sin when we believe.
9. Eternal life is a grand _____ for those who trust in Christ.
10. Such hope should motivate us to _____ Christ with great commitment.
11. Confident and patient, we can stand _____.
12. Because He is our foundation, we must be devoted, loyal, and _____ to Him.
13. Accept the challenge: live _____ from our society.
14. We are accountable to (circle): ourselves our spouses our boss our president out God
15. We will be held _____ for how we live.

Lesson Commentary:

Holiness means being totally devoted and dedicated to God, set apart from sin and its influence. As we daily give ourselves to the practice of holy living, we will develop and express ourselves less and reflect and resemble God's qualities in our lives more. Holiness causes our focus and priorities to develop more and more upon our Lord. This kind of life is not accomplished/developed on its own or through our own efforts. God aids us by providing the Holy Spirit to obey and overcome sin. Call on Him! He can free you from sin's grip. Everything in life – possessions, accomplishments, people – will eventually fade away. We must stop grasping the temporary and focus our time, money, and energy on the permanent – the Word of God, His way of living, and Eternal life.