

Holy Unto the Lord

This two week series will dive deep into the profound concept of holiness - what it truly means and why it matters immensely. Week 1 will explore the essence of holiness, drawing from Scripture to define it, dispel common misconceptions, and exalt the transcendent holiness of our great God. Week 2 will then inspire us to embrace our high calling to live set-apart lives, examining how the Holy Spirit empowers us for this journey and unveiling the path to finding life's deepest fulfillment through holiness.

Week 2: Aligning Our Lives with God's Holiness (Emmanuel Dominguez)

1. This message explores the question: *How do we live our lives in alignment with our holy God?* With that in mind, how would you summarize your current thoughts and practices for pursuing holiness in your daily life? Follow up: What are some common excuses or barriers you find yourself using to avoid living a holy life? How can we overcome these obstacles?
2. AW Tozer famously said: *"What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us."* What comes to your mind when you think about God? What rises to the top? How does this shape your perception of God and your relationship with Him?
3. **Truth #1: The holy life requires a temple.** Emmanuel highlights **1 Corinthians 6:19**, which says our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit. How does this truth impact the way you treat and care for your body? What practical steps can you take to honor God with your body as you aim to **be with Jesus** as one of his followers?
4. **Truth #2: The holy life requires sacrifice. Read Galatians 5:16-21.** What practical steps can we take to ensure the Holy Spirit guides our lives and wins over the flesh daily? Follow up: Emmanuel shared a story about our 11th & 12th-grade boys who chose vulnerability and freedom over keeping secrets. He highlighted the importance of confession, prayer, and community. How have these things helped you in your journey to **become like Jesus**?
5. **Truth #3: The holy life requires assignment. Read Ephesians 1:4-5 & Isaiah 6:8-10.** How does understanding your assignment from God influence your pursuit of holiness? What steps can you take to align your life more closely with this divine assignment as you aim to **do what Jesus did** with your everyday life?
6. **Read John 17:17-19.** How can understanding the role of truth in our lives help us pursue holiness? Follow up: How can you ensure that your personal pursuit of holiness is rooted in the truth of God's Word and the guidance of the Holy Spirit?
7. Of the three truths presented (holiness requires a temple, sacrifice, and assignment), which one resonated with you most? What is one practical way you can apply that truth this week?

