**HARVEST CHAPEL INTERNATIONAL**

**BIBLE STUDY**

**TOPIC: A CALL TO HOLINESS**

**INTRODUCTION**

God has chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before Him in love. Our total obedience to this command is required in order to be effective, effusive and infectious for Christ. Today we continue on our study on holiness to see how our obedience separates us from the world and set us apart as holy people on to God.

**DISCUSSION**

1. **God demands Holiness**
2. The Old Testament Holiness

* Holiness not part of moral law Exodus 20:1-17 (Deut 5)
* Holiness as part of ceremonial law Lev 11: 43-45, Lev 19: 3-18, Lev 20:6-8
* Holiness as an act of obedience Micah 6:6-8
* Blood of animals as atonement for sin Lev 16:23-30

1. The New Testament Holiness

* Holiness starts from the heart and not hypocritical Mark 7:1-15, 17-23
* It upholds the law (Mat 5:43-48)
* Foretold in the old testament Lev 16:30, Jer 33:8
* Fulfilled through Jesus Christ Heb 9: 11-14, 1John 1:7
* An act of obedience Act 10:10-15

1. **God’s provision for Holiness**
2. Holiness and Justification (to declare righteous)

Basis for justification

* God’s grace Rom 5:15
* Jesus’ blood Rom 5:9-11
* Jesus’ righteousness ours 1 Cor 1:30, 2 Cor 5:21
* Not merited Gal 2:16, Rom 5:1-2
* Basis for our holiness 2 Cor 7:1,

1. Holiness and Sanctification (to make holy or set apart)

* Why? Rom 7:15-25
* Who sanctifies 1 Cor 6:11, Eph 5:25-27, Rom 15:16
* Positional sanctification Heb 10:10-14, 1 Pet 1:2
* Progressive sanctification 2 Cor 3:17-18, Phil 2:12-13
* What next? Gal 2:20, Eph 3:20

**MEMORY VERSE: Phil 2:15**

That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world.