

KEDOSHIM

Who is Holy? How can we tell?



Holiness. Do we think it is some woo woo, magical property like a level up card that very few "special" people are ever gifted? Do we think it is something we work for, or is it something we can just "opt into".

Holy, it means set apart. That is it, it means that you give your life to G-D and HE takes your time, energy, effort, and experience and puts you into a place where you can be the very best soldier for HIS kingdom work... We, any of us, WHO-SO-EVER

¹⁶For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. ¹⁷For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. ¹⁸He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. ~John 3:16-18^(KJV)

I really like how poetic the King James Version is here...WHO_SO_EVER, that is: open to *all*, available to *all*, anyone can "opt in" and *be holy*. That is ANYONE can live a life set apart for G-D. Also important to know is there is not a "spectrum" of holiness with people like King David being at the top, and people like you and I scraping at the bottom. It is an either/or, sort of like you are either IN covenant and set apart for HIS use, or you are OUT of covenant and not walking in HIS statutes...We are a soldier for HIS purposes following orders...and yes that distinction does come with a WHOLE HOST of responsibilities. AND benefits. OR that is to say ways that mean we can tell that you are set apart and part of HIS Kingdom.

Who is holy? Or more accurately how can you be set apart for HIS Kingdom? The first bit is belief. We read that correctly..

¹⁶"For God so loved the world that he gave his only and unique Son, so that everyone who trusts in him may have eternal life, instead of being utterly destroyed. -Yochanan 3:16^(CJB)

Belief. Trust. A simple but not necessarily easy decision that we make to align our lives with THE WORD of G-D, that is the WORD that became flesh; Yeshua. The way we do that is; once we make that decision (coming from the latin de-cide, which gives the word picture of cutting off, actually killing off, all other options, which is what we do when we make a choice for G-D we say nothing, no other worldview, or word is more important than *THE WORD* of G-D!)

The way we do that is to read, and get very close to the WORD of G-D, we read, and invite in and rely on Ruach haKodesh (the Holy Spirit) to help us understand the meaning of the BOOK HE has given to us.

Woo Woo Magical



Level 10 Holiness Card

You are too much a
dirty heathen to even
look at this card
You will never be this holy.

KEDOSHIM...continued

Write "Who wants:"
the 9 fruits of Ruach HaKodesh on the board

We read, invite in, and rely on the Ruach haKodesh to help us understand the meaning of the BOOK HE has given to us. How do we know that the Ruach HaKodesh is with us? We read Torah and gain understanding. Let us, for example start by reading the whole of Yochanan 3, and let's do a super quick write down of what we can gain understanding about what we read here.

Now let's consider this small passage of Torah, and think of how very different our lives would be if we just followed the principals we find in this one chapter? Do we see? Who wrote down peace? Patience? Goodness? Self-Control? Anything else? Do we see the difference, this massive difference that this small bit of Torah can make. Now imagine doing this everyday. Do you see now, the difference between holy, and unholy? What a difference in our lives if we just came to these understandings daily, lived out each one in the smallest tiniest way! Do you see how most of this world makes decisions, how they live their lives? Following their own feelings? Being run by their emotions and desires? Do you see why our neighborhoods, our towns, our country, our world is in such an UNHOLY DISASTROUS MESS?

It is easy to see who is walking in covenant, that is, those who are Holy unto the L-rd of G-D. There are not many left, but they are easy to spot. They are living in the Ruach HaKodesh, and bearing its fruit.

²² But the fruit of the Ruach is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control —against such things there is no law. ~Galatians 5:22-23(TLV)

That is not to say their lives are perfect, they are not, and they have troubles, but if we see someone who is living in selfishness, misery, chaos, impatience, cruelty, wicked rebellion, cheating and thievery, violence, and doing whatever they want whenever they want, is probably living for something OTHER than being set apart for G-D. That is the fruit of the world. The fruit of the world leads to death. Some will wish for it long before it comes to them in their nightmare of an exitance, but death will not help them. Living this way becomes a habit and a pattern that leads them to the everlasting darkness and torment that is an eternity without the hope that Yeshua provides. But remember trust was offered to all.

¹³When Yeshua came into the territory around Caesarea Philippi, he asked his talmidim, "Who are people saying the Son of Man is?" ¹⁴They said, "Well, some say Yochanan the Immerser, others Eliyahu, still others Yirmeyahu or one of the prophets." ¹⁵"But you," he said to them, "who do you say I am?" ¹⁶Shim'on Kefa answered, "You are the Mashiach, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷"Shim'on Bar-Yochanan," Yeshua said to him, "how blessed you are! For no human being revealed this to you, no, it was my Father in heaven. ¹⁸I also tell you this: you are Kefa," [which means 'Rock,'] "and on this rock I will build my Community, and the gates of Sh'ol will not overcome it.

This is holiness, this small act defies the kingdom of hasatan, the adversary, the evil in this world and strengthens each of us. This small act heals us, sets us apart, gives us meaning, a measure of control, freedom, and shalom. When we make the decision, we learn the WORD, we gain understanding, we walk it out. WE BECOME KEDOSHIM. The called out ones, and the very gates of hell shall not stand against us. Each of us is called out, everyone of us is invited! We are called to be the difference that G-D makes in this world, and we do it with HIS power and gain all the blessings that HE gives to those who would trust, read HIS word, and follow HIS commands. We are the ones today, we are called to be KEDOSHIM!



name _____ date _____

Super Quick Torah Study on Yochanan 3

Who is Talking? _____ Who is HE talking to? _____

What I learned from what HE said: _____

What would I tell the someone I love most about this chapter? _____

If I was a soldier in G-D's Kingdom what part of this chapter would most benefit me in defending the kingdom? _____

Which verse would I memorize? _____ Why? _____

What fruit of the Ruach HaKodesh does this chapter of Torah grow? _____ (based on Galatians 5:22)

If I were a believer and chose to walk out these truths, how would reading this chapter today affect my walk tomorrow? _____

What does this chapter mean to me today, based on my belief or lack of belief? _____
