



I Peter 1:13-16

Your Great Salvation Demands Great Responsibility

Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance: But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

- **Your great salvation demands holiness.**

These four verses form one complete sentence. The defining statement in this sentence is, “Be ye holy; for I am holy.” The entire sentence is a description of what it means to live a holy life.

- **Holiness is an identity that says, “I belong to God.”**
- **The believer practices holiness through:**

1. Mental strength.

Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind

2. A disciplined spirit.

be sober

3. Hope-driven endurance.

and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ

4. Obedience by reflex.

As obedient children

5. Conquering fleshly appetites.

not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance

6. Behavior consistent with your calling.

But as he which hath called you is holy

7. A life set apart to God.

so be ye holy in all manner of conversation

8. A strong relationship with God.

Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

Everything that you need to make you pure and holy and kind and good and Christlike and loving and gentle, God has an abundance of for you.