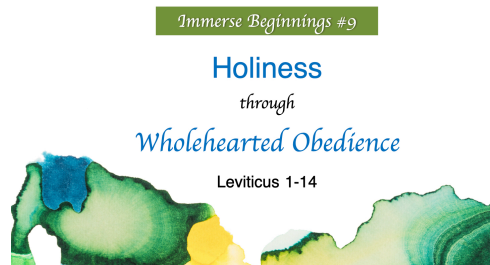


## Holiness through Wholehearted Obedience

Leviticus 1-14

5-Day Devotional



### Monday – Holiness Begins at the Altar of Worship

**Scripture:** *“Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”* – **Matthew 6:21**

*“The priest will burn all of it on the altar. It is a burnt offering, a food offering, an aroma pleasing to the Lord.”*

– **Leviticus 1:9**

Holiness begins at the altar. The offerings in Leviticus expressed surrender, gratitude, repentance, and fellowship. Our worship and generosity today will reveal who or what we trust first. But when we give Him our **first and best**, our hearts are trained in trust, gratitude, and surrender. Movements like *Giving December* are not about raising money; they are about raising a people whose treasure—and therefore hearts—are anchored in God.

**Reflection:** What does my worship reveal? Am I giving God my first and best?

**Prayer:** Lord, teach me what it means to worship You with my whole heart—through my words, my time, my resources, and my obedience. Loosen my grip on earthly security and deepen my trust in You. Today I choose to say: *“I give—not because I must, but because I trust.”* Amen.

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### Tuesday – Set Apart: Holiness in Consecration

**Scripture:** *“Moses did everything just as the Lord commanded him.”* – **Leviticus 8:4**

*“...you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation...”* – **1 Peter 2:9**

Consecration means being fully set apart for God. We are His royal priesthood. Holiness grows as we align our lives with His will, not our preferences

**Reflection:** Do my private habits honor God?

**Prayer:** You have called me to be set apart—holy, not in my own strength, but by Your grace. I offer myself to You again today. Consecrate my mind, my words, my decisions, my relationships, and my service. Show me where I have been careless, casual, or self-directed, and bring me back into alignment with Your will. Amen.

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### Wednesday – Holiness at the Kitchen Table

**Scripture:** *“I am the Lord who brought you up out of Egypt to be your God; therefore be holy, because I am holy.”* – **Leviticus 11:45**

*“So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.”* – **1 Corinthians 10:31**

Holiness touches ordinary life – habits, choices, routines. God shapes us through daily holiness, not just Sunday worship. Holiness is a lifestyle, not an event. It shows up in what we watch, what we say, what we consume, how we treat our bodies, and how we interact with people.

The world tells us that what we do in private is “no one’s business.” God gently reminds us: “Everything about you matters to Me.”

**Reflection:** Do my private habits honor God?

**Prayer:** Lord, thank You that You care about all of my life, not just my “religious” moments. Teach me to honor You not only at church, but in my home, my eating, my scrolling, my conversations, and my rest. Help me live with awareness rather than autopilot. Make holiness my everyday rhythm, not just my Sunday posture. Amen.

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## **Thursday – Exposed to Heal: Holiness in Purity & Restoration**

**Scripture:** “*Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.*” – **Psalm 51:10**

“*If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.*” – **1 John 1:9**

Spiritually, we all carry “contaminants”: bitterness, secret sin, resentment, addictions, unhealed wounds, or negative patterns of thinking. These may be hidden, but they slowly affect our relationship with God and with others.

The good news is that God does not expose to condemn; **He exposes to heal.**

He does not isolate to reject; **He sets apart to restore.**

**Reflection:** Is there an area of my life that needs cleansing or healing?

**Prayer:** Lord, you see every hidden corner of my heart, and yet You love me. Give me courage to bring my secret struggles, wounds, and sins into Your light. Wash me, heal me, and restore me so I can walk in freedom and reflect Your holiness. Amen.

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## **Friday – A Counter-Cultural Holiness**

**Scripture:** “*Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.*” – **Romans 12:2**

“*But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: “Be holy, because I am holy.”*” – **1 Peter 1:15–16**

We live in a culture that celebrates self-rule, self-expression, and self-promotion. That’s why the message of Leviticus is so counter-cultural. “**Holiness through wholehearted obedience**” is not just a religious idea; it is a radical way of living in a world that constantly tells us to live for ourselves. The beautiful paradox is this: When we step out of self-rule and bow under God’s loving authority, we don’t lose ourselves—we finally become who we were created to be.

Holiness is not a prison; it is **freedom inside God’s design.**

It is not a burden; it is **a gift and a calling.**

**Reflection:** In what ways have I absorbed the values of the surrounding culture more than I realized? Where is God inviting me to “swim upstream”—to choose obedience even if it feels costly?

**Prayer:** Father, thank You that You have called me out of darkness into Your marvelous light. I confess that the voices of culture often feel louder than Your call to holiness. Renew my mind. Help me to see obedience not as a burden, but as a gift, a protection, and a pathway into Your joy. Make me—and make COV—a people whose lives quietly but clearly stand out in a world of self-focus.

Amen.