

Clark Fork Seventh-day Adventist Church

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For Today: Benefits of Living a Holy Life

Do you live a holy life? To live a holy life is to live a life in conformity to the moral precepts of the Bible, in contrast to the sinful ways of the world. The apostle Paul described it as “putting off our old self,” which belongs to our life before Jesus, and to “put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness” (Ephesians 4:22-24). Sometimes we compare ourselves to other Christians and think we’re doing pretty good. But God doesn’t call us to “pretty good.” His holiness is our standard (1 Peter 1:16).

Holiness may seem hard, but the benefits far outweigh anything we might need to “sacrifice.” Why would we want to live a holy life? The following five benefits are not the only reasons, but they’re ones Scripture mentions repeatedly.

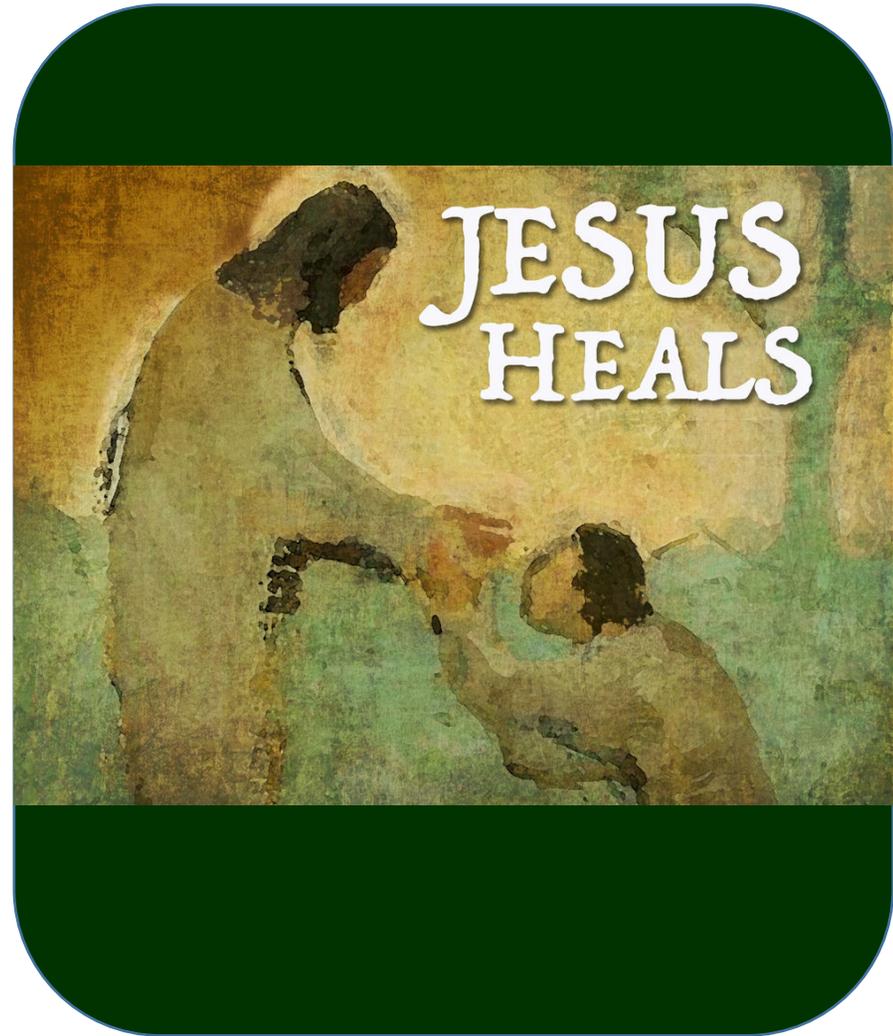
- ♥ Holiness fosters intimacy with God and builds spiritual strength and stability (Psalm 15:1-6).
- ♥ Holy living makes us useful and effective for God’s purposes (2 Tim. 2:20-26).
- ♥ Our holy life causes people around us to glorify God (1 Peter 2:9-12).
- ♥ Holiness builds peace with God (2 Peter 3:10-18).
- ♥ A holy life pleases God and produces “fruit” (Ephesians 5:1-17).

Perhaps you long to experience a deep, intimate relationship with God. According to Scripture, a direct connection exists between a holy life and experiencing God’s presence (see Psalm 15:1-2). Humanly speaking, holiness is an impossible task. Only the Holy Spirit can spiritually transform us and produce holiness in our lives. Here are a few practical things we can do to cooperate with His ongoing work.

Practice an awareness of the presence of God— God is always with us. He knows our thoughts, attitudes, and motivations. Stay in the Word—The Creator of the universe has revealed Himself, His will, and His ways to us in the Bible. It describes the holy life to which God calls us. Be proactive in the battle against the sin that takes root in our lives. To be holy, we must dig it out by the roots and get rid of it.

Respond quickly to the Spirit—Have you ever responded to the prompting of the Spirit with “in a minute?” If you’re a parent, you understand that “delayed” obedience is simply disobedience. Unfortunately, our delayed obedience causes us harm and dishonors God. We may miss out on God’s best plan for us or even put ourselves in danger.

Keep an eternal perspective. If we allow the things of this physical world to dominate our thoughts, the temporal will drive our emotions and responses. But if we stay focused on God’s bigger, eternal picture, we will be able to reject sin and stand firm in trials.



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Sabbath, July 24, 2021



Sabbath Worship

Rejoicing in God's Presence, 9:30 a.m.

Sabbath Superintendent

Yvonne Eller Hunt

Adults Sabbath School, Sanctuary, 9:50–10:35 a.m.

James Hunt

God's Family in Worship, 10:45 a.m.

Hymn of the Month, "I Vow to Thee, My Country"

Hymn 648

Welcome and Announcements, 10:45 a.m.

Platform host, James Hunt

Preparing our hearts for worship. Leaders and congregation kneel in prayer

Opening Hymn, "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus"

Hymn 524

Scripture: 1 John 5:13-15 (see below)

Prayer and Praise

Congregation Hymn

*Hear Our Prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord;
Incline Thine ear to us, and grant us Thy peace. Amen.*

Call for Morning Offering:

Kids Educational Endowment Program (KEEP)
Endowment Fund

Doxology, "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Hymn 694

Children's Story

Joelle Worf

Special Music

Hunts and Suttons

Sermon

Little Children: Overcome

Pastor Jason Worf

Ordinance of Humility

Communion

Closing Hymn, "Standing on the Promises"

Hymn 518

Benediction

¹³ I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life. ¹⁴ This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. ¹⁵ And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him.

1 John 5:13-15

Welcome

We are glad that you came to worship Jesus with us today! Our prayer is that you will experience God's presence and blessing. Please join us for potluck in the Fellowship Hall, following our service. Vegetarian/vegan contributions preferred.

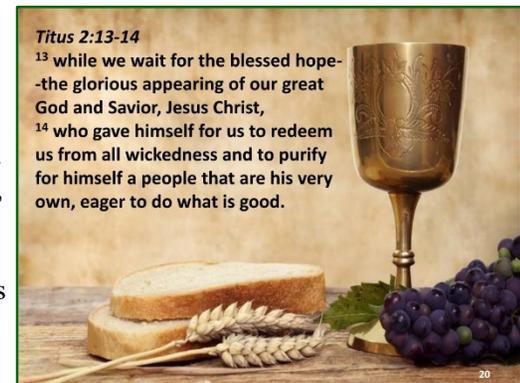
Upcoming Speaker: July 31, James Hunt

Announcements

Today is Health Sabbath! The NAD asks us to consider the wholeness that only God can offer. It is a time for renewed hope because our loving Creator is also our healer. You can check out the Facebook group, Joy of Eating Club. It provides balanced, scientifically and Biblically sound health information and training for community outreach with the Adventist health message. Vibrant Life magazine also is featuring special issues of magazine (Jan/Feb 2021, 55 Favorite Recipes and May/June 2021, Joy of Eating). See details online: [Health Sabbath – Health Ministries \(nadhealth.org\)](http://Health Sabbath – Health Ministries (nadhealth.org)).

Nominating Committee: please meet with Pastor Jason briefly immediately after church service today.

Bonnors Ferry SDA Water Ski Party, Sunday, August 8 at Sam Owen Campground (just beside Hope), from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., with a vespers service. Potato salad, grillers, big franks, baked beans, and watermelon will be provided. Please bring buns, chips, goodies for burgers (cheese, pickles, onions, tomatoes, lettuce) and condiments. Sign up is on the clipboard.



North Idaho Camp Meeting with Pastor Doug Batchelor, August 27 and 28: Camp meeting will be held at the Bonner County Fairgrounds.

Clark Fork Church Board Meeting, Sunday, August 15, from 9 a.m.

Annual Church Campout, September 17–19. Location is moving to Camp Legacy (instead of Yaak). Camp Legacy is less than 5 miles from the BF Church. Ralph Owens will be in charge. The tentative speaker is Mike Lambert. Attendance fees will be voluntary. \$15/night for tent, cabin, or RV. \$10 for day users per family. Prepare your hearts and minds to visit with God!!

Prayer Meeting: Wednesday meetings are paused for the summer.

Prayer Requests: If you have a prayer request, please call Janet Remitz at 406-847-5526. No matter how small, no matter how large your request!

Clark Fork, sunset tonight: 8:30 p.m.; next Friday night: 8:22 p.m.