

Growth Group Discussion Questions
For Our Growth Group- On Line Meetings
“Exploring Off The Map- Part 3
“Joint Venturing With Jesus”
Discovering The Pathway To Holiness
Week of May 24th, 2020

Summary- Yes, we are journeying out there quite a ways off the map! This week... holiness! But in the context of Practical Holiness, that the Apostle Paul and the Apostle Peter talk about a bunch in their letters to the church, that is, to all of us! What are we to be doing in the time between our Conversion to Jesus (coming to Him by faith), and the day we end this earthly existence and meet Jesus face to face in heaven? This is where we find ourselves today, as Jesus followers! The process of becoming more like Jesus is called Sanctification! It means, being saved from the “power” of sin in your life! So, we see that it is a Joint Venture experience, this Sanctification! Jesus does His part, and we are to do ours. Because, Holiness, as we now know is us looking more and more like Jesus! Now, let’s discuss the part we play and how to play it even better!

- 1. After listening to the message, how would you explain that holiness is a Joint-Venture with Jesus? How does it work?**

- 2. How could being involved with other people in a discussion oriented Growth Group kind of experience assist you in becoming more like Jesus?**

- 3. Read Phil 2:12-13 and answer the following questions:**
 - a. If this experience of becoming like Jesus is a Joint Venture with Him, what does Verse 12 tell you about your part in the joint Venture?**

 - b. Read verse 13 again. What part does Jesus play in this Joint Venture of practical holiness?**

4. We all are interested in results of spiritual growth. Paul describes what the results will look like in your life as you become more & more like Jesus. Read Gal. 5:22-25. Discuss how each of the following attributes makes you more like Jesus.

- a. Love
- b. Joy
- c. Peace
- d. Patience
- e. Kindness
- f. Goodness
- g. Faithfulness
- h. Gentleness
- i. Self-Control

5. Re-read verse Gal. 5:25. As believers we all have Jesus' Spirit in us. What are some of the "harder" places in real life to allow Jesus and His Spirit to "reshape" how we act and respond to others?

- a. For example... when you tend to be controlling, and you know you should not continue to act that way.
- b. When it's hard to forgive someone...
- c. Come up with a bunch from your experience as a group!

6. Is there a verse or passage of scripture that has helped you become more like Jesus in your own life?

- 1). For example: Psa. 119:9-11