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Three steps toward holiness . . .

I. NO UNEQUAL YOKING

2 Corinthians 6:14-15 — Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness? What harmony is there between Christ and Belial? What does a believer have in common with an unbeliever?

Romans 12:2 — Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is — His good, pleasing and perfect will.

1 Thessalonians 1:8b-10 — Your faith in God has become known everywhere [evidence of salvation]. Therefore we do not need to say anything about it, for they themselves report what kind of reception you gave us. They tell how you **turned to God from idols** to **serve the living and true God**, and to **wait for His Son from heaven**, whom He raised from the dead — Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.

1 Peter 2:5 (NLT) — And you are living stones that God is building into His spiritual temple. What's more, you are His holy priests. Through the mediation of Jesus Christ, you offer spiritual sacrifices that please God.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 — Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body.

III. GET DECONTAMINATED

2 Corinthians 6:17-18 — "Come out from them and be separate," says the Lord. "Touch no unclean thing, and I will receive you. I will be a Father to you, and you will be My sons and daughters," says the Lord Almighty.

1 Thessalonians 4:7 — For God did not call us to be impure, but to live a holy life.

1 John 3:3 — And everyone who has this hope *fixed* on Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

II. BE A TEMPLE OF GOD

2 Corinthians 6:16 — What agreement is there between the temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will live with them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they will be my people."

2 Corinthians 7:1 — Since we have these promises, dear friends, let us purify ourselves from everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God.

"A baptism of holiness, a demonstration of godly living, is the crying need of our day." — Duncan Campbell