

God's plan is for us to receive holiness and practice holiness because he is Holy. (1 Peter 1:14-17)

Our hope for holiness has been secured by Christ's resurrection. (1 Peter 1:18-21)

Getting to Know You

1. What was your favorite subject in school? Least favorite?

Into the Bible

2. Patrick used examples of athletes preparing ahead of time to compete. In 2 Timothy 2:1-7, Paul adds two other examples of people who have to be disciplined and prepare ahead of time: soldiers and farmers. Think of ways that athletes, soldiers and farmers prepare. How do these apply to preparing to live a holy life as followers of Christ?
3. Peter calls their way of life empty, before they knew Christ (1 Peter 1:18). How might a return to that empty way of life be a relief from persecution? Do we face the same temptation?