**June 8, 2014**

**Pursue Holiness  
Hebrews 12:14-17**

Heb. 12:14 – “Make every effort…”

* Pursue
* Be active in your pursuit of holiness

Thought:

* Positional sanctification
  + Seated in the heavenlies
  + Eph. 2
* Practical sanctification
  + Pursuing holiness
  + 1 Cor. 1:2

It is important that we be serious about pursuing holiness.

Titus 2:11-12

Why is holiness so important for a believer to have?

1. Fellowship with God – Psa. 15:1-5
2. Prayer – Psa. 66:16-20
3. Well-being – Heb. 12:6; Psa. 32:3-4
4. To be available for God to use – 2 Tim. 2:20-22
5. Shows forth our faith – 1 John 3:3-6; Roms. 8:12-17

Holiness and being used by God go hand in hand.

Heb. 12:14 – “Without holiness no one will see the Lord.”

The unredeemed world will see God through our holiness.

* John 13:35