

# “An Unmistakable Command”

(I Peter 1:13-16)

## Introduction:

What are you willing to:

1. Tolerate?
2. Terminate?

\* It is ‘shocking’ to see what God’s people are willing to ‘tolerate’ spiritually, and unwilling to ‘terminate’ spiritually!

II Peter 1:3, 3:11 reconfirms this unmistakable command!

1. Holiness and \_\_\_\_\_ are essentially one and the same.
2. Holiness defined: The state of being holy. Purity or integrity of moral character. Freedom from sin. Moral soundness.
3. Godliness defined: Piety and reverence to God, and to his ‘ character and laws. A careful observance of the laws of God that leads to obedience.

\*\* Literally means “God-likeness”... To think and to be like God.

...To have His \_\_\_\_\_.

1. This is too ‘high’ for many of us, so the Lord brings it down to our level in I Timothy 3:16.

2. Thus, to be ‘godly’, is to be like \_\_\_\_\_ !

3. Look at a description of our Saviour in Hebrews 7:26...

\* He is: \_\_\_\_\_, harmless, \_\_\_\_\_,  
separate from sinners, and made \_\_\_\_\_ than  
the heavens.

\* **Would this be a practical description of your life and character?**

## I Peter 1:13-16

### Four commands:

#### I. ‘Gird up’.... (vs.13)

1. The loins of your \_\_\_\_\_.
2. “Loose thinking leads to loose \_\_\_\_\_”.

#### II. ‘Look up’.... (vs.13)

\* True Christianity focuses on the \_\_\_\_\_.  
Carnal Christianity and lost mankind focus on the \_\_\_\_\_.

\* Note: Staying clean today, has a lot to say about what we are planning to do tomorrow.

#### III. ‘Grow up’.... (vs.14)

1. Obedience is to be \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Holiness is not ‘accidental’... it is \_\_\_\_\_.

#### IV. ‘Step up’.... (vs. 15-16)

\* Our calling:

1. Is Comprehensive...
2. Is Not Contemporary...
3. Is Not Created...