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What can we do to prevent ourselves from getting entangled in the mire of sin? In *Holiness*, Nancy Leigh DeMoss teaches about the importance of being set apart for good works, and the consequences of sin, and helps us strive for a deeper, more genuine relationship with God. But let the reader beware: prepare to be changed in the presence of a Holy God.

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Jennah says

Another great book by Nancy Leigh DeMoss! She talks about the splendor, motivation, enemy, face, heart, passion, and a pathway for holiness. Here are some questions to think about while reading this book...How important is holiness to you? How much thought, attention, and effort do you devote to the pursuit of holiness? Are you intentional about putting away everything that is displeasing to God and living a holy life? Is it your priority - your mission - to be holy?

"Lots of people are praying, and lots of people are repenting, but so few are changing their lifestyle...The fact is, if people are not changing their lifestyle, they are not repenting. And if we are not repenting, then all our singing, praising, praying, and producing are useless - perhaps worse than useless, because all the noise and activity may deceive us into thinking that we are OK and that we are actually experiencing revival."

Nancy Austin says

Good thoughts, great discussion questions, challenging content.

Susan says

very convicting.

Richelle Wright says

So convicting - my husband asked me to stop reading it aloud in the car for awhile... excellent and very biblical.

Elizabeth Johnson says

Finally, a modern book on holiness that rivals many of the Puritan's works on the same topic! And while it's written by a woman, it's quite relevant to ANY Christian, male or female. I found it packed with sound doctrine, convicting and pointed questions about specific areas of living, and very timely (but not trendy) application to everyday life.

Read as part of the Brokenness/Surrender/Holiness trilogy - a must-read for any Christian, and one that ought to be repeated every few years!

Laura Robertson says

I am still mulling this book over. I agreed with much that she had to say about how the church is becoming numb to sin within its midst. We don't want to hurt others feelings or appear judgmental so we let ungodly behaviors slide. And yes, the book was very convicting at times. However, I didn't care for how she singled out certain behaviors that are not sinful but are in that area of "be careful with these things because you don't want to cause others to stumble."

She clearly has issues with entertainment and drinking. She quoted in a positive light one lady that admonished her bible study group for attending rated R movies. Yes, I agree that some rated R movies are nothing but trash and do nothing for us spiritually. BUT, there are some rated R movies that tell incredible stories that should not be missed just because of the reality of the world that is portrayed. Good grief, if they made an accurate movie of the Bible, all that happens in the first half of Genesis alone would earn it an R rating. It just seemed that she was advocating the "holier-than-thou" tests that many churches thrived on (and maybe still do)...no drinking, no dancing, no movies, etc. Those restrictions just seem to lead to a self-righteousness that benefits no one and does not lead them toward holiness. As one that wants to see a better balance of extending grace and reaching for holiness in my life and in my church, this book did not bring me any closer to understanding how to strive for that balance.

I might be completely off the mark, because everyone else seems to love the book and it was well-reviewed by respected leaders in the church. But it just kind of left me unsettled. And maybe that is good.

Kingsdaughter says

So far I am giving it 4 stars because Nancy is one of my favorite radio speakers and she is a woman after God's own heart. She truly is a Kingsdaughter.

Melissa Markham says

This is the third in a series. It is not an 'easy' book to read as it is full of truths that we often ignore as Christians in today's society. It gave me a lot to think and pray about.

Beth Peninger says

Finishing out her trilogy of books on living a life of truth DeMoss closes it with Holiness. In this critical book she issues the call for holiness and unpacks it's freedoms and benefits.

Holiness is an awkward topic in the Church these days because as she says, we have traded tolerance for Truth. I will confess that reading this book on Holiness caused me a lot of unease, which is necessary unease so that I can do some honest reflection. Many church going people have the idea that holiness requires a somberness of spirit and life. While holiness is sacred and requires a somber approach it by no means that we need to live somberly - otherwise there wouldn't be the abundant life that Christ came to bring us!

Holiness provides boundaries that bring us into freedom not bondage. Holiness provides a whole host of benefits rather than a hoard of dreary duties. Because we have replaced Truth with tolerance we have an

inaccurate view of holiness. It's time to return to Truth, it's time for the repenters to repent, it's time for the Church to quit trying to live a watered down version of the world and truly begin to live set apart. It is only when we, one by one, begin to choose holiness that the world will stand up and take notice.
Holiness: it's what's good for you...and me!

Glen says

A deeply moving, very practical look at the beauty of living a holy life. DeMoss is very direct in simple language and exhibits a humbleness herself that makes the words even more potent. This is a good read for devotional times.

Heather says

I loved it! Very convicting and will definitely re-read it.

Amanda Tero says

A fantastic conclusion to a heart-searching trilogy. Nancy Leigh (DeMoss) Wolgemuth cuts to the heart of so many issues in the modern churches--but brings it down to a personal level: what about me? Am I just accepting things in my life, or will I change?

I found this to be un-legalistic in approach and application. And, like the other two books in the series, you can't come away with, "Well, she didn't cover MY issue." She leaves it very open to practical application, no matter what stage or walk of life the reader is in.

This entire series blessed me this second time reading it (or, listening to it), and I know it's one that I shall return to again.

Lucia M. says

I am enjoying this book--there is so much to learn about Holiness! It is my true desire to have a "purified heart," and if that is your desire as well, this book will guide you along the path.

Jaclynn says

Nancy writes in such a captivating way and this book is sooo convicting of all those little areas that we as Christians can rationalize and let slip in our daily life. Holiness means to be set apart. Other thoughts: God's love for us moves us to reject all lesser loves and all fleeting delights sin can offer.

I am a saint-the bride of Christ!

Not only must I choose the pathway of holiness for God's sake and for my own sake; I must also do it for the

sake of others. Practical ways to avoid sin and put off corruption lives. Filled with great quotes and thoughts, this is a nice sized read.

Samantha says

From the Revive our Heart Series:

If you're longing for a deeper connection to God, you must first answer His call to Holiness.

"Be Holy as I am Holy"

Nancy teaches us that holiness must be a priority in our lives! It should be our constant conscious ambition and aim to be Holy. We must learn to say "No" to corruption and "Yes" to grace. The reward that awaits us will bring us a new depth of Joy that far outweighs anything offered to us on this earth.

This book was thoroughly convicting for me. It really opened my eyes to examine myself to see the 'little' sins that had crept into my life- the little compromises I had made. It sobered me to the point of tears to see how unholy I have been.

This book could very possibly change your life and how you view the world, yourself and God.

It will most likely convict you.

And it's one that I think I should re-read often!

The little quotes, verses, and sayings make this book even better.

I'd recommend this to anyone.
