

## *Marks of a Spiritual Christian*

### *It is a Life of Winsome Holiness*

*"But like as he who called you is holy, be ye yourselves also holy in all manner of living; Because it is written, Ye shall be holy; for I am holy" (I Pet. 1:15-16, R.V.).*

Every Christian is called to a holy life. But many Christians do not want to be holy. They may want to be spiritual but they are afraid to be holy. This may be due to misunderstanding of what holiness is through false teaching on this subject.

What, then, is holiness? Let us first say what it is not. It is not sinless perfection, nor eradication of the sinful nature, nor is it faultlessness. It neither places one beyond the possibility of sinning nor removes the presence of sin.

Scriptural holiness is not "faultlessness" but it is "blamelessness" in the sight of God. We are to be "preserved blameless" unto His coming, and we shall be "presented faultless" at His coming.

*"And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly: and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ" (I Thess. 5:23).*

*"Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless*