



“An Introduction to the Sacred”

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Hebrews 4:9-11 (ESV) *So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his. Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience.*

It doesn't take work to rest, but it does take work to enter that rest.

Romans 8:6 (ESV) *“For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.”*

1. SACRED

- Sacred means that something is revered, has sanctity, or is consecrated because it is deeply connected to God and His divinity.
- **Ephesians 2:19-22** (AMP) *So then you are no longer strangers and aliens [outsiders without rights of citizenship], but you are fellow citizens with the saints (God's people), and are [members] of God's household, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus Himself as the [chief] Cornerstone, in whom the whole structure is joined together, and it continues [to increase] growing into a holy temple in the Lord [a sanctuary dedicated, set apart, and sacred to the presence of the Lord]. In Him [and in fellowship with one another] you also are being built together into a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.*
- **2 Corinthians 5:21** (NASB) *He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.*
- Sacred practices don't make us fully devoted; they are the practices in which fully devoted disciples engage.

2. PRACTICES

- Colossians 2:6-7 (ESV) *Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, ⁷rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.*
- The Lord's Supper, Baptism, Giving, Liturgy, and Corporate Prayer.