

2 Corinthians 6:3-7:1  
Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2025

- Purity from ungodliness
  - “We see in Jesus the best, most practical, most human example of what it means to be holy... We see all the virtues of holiness perfectly aligned in Christ.” (Kevin DeYoung, The hole in our holiness)
  
- How do we do this?
  - By the Holy Spirit
  
  - In response to the Gospel
  
  - By remembering God’s promises
  
  - By making every effort (2 Peter 1:5)

### Intro

“We must be holy, because this is one grand end and purpose for which Christ came into the world... He died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again... Jesus is a complete Saviour. He does not merely take away the guilt of a believer’s sin. He does more – He breaks its power.” (J.C. Ryle, Holiness)

### 1. Know the marks of authentic gospel ministry (vv. 3-10)

- Suffering for the gospel

- Spirit-filled godliness
- Perseverance in proclamation
- Gospel-shaped perspective

## **2. Embrace authentic gospel ministry... (vv. 11-13)**

## **3. ... by striving for holiness (vv. 6:14-7:1)**

- A fundamental difference
- Purity from idolatry
  - An idol is something that we look to for things that only God can give. (Timothy Keller, Counterfeit Gods)