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How can I strive for sin-free living in a sin-filled world?

1. Set my heart on living for Christ's return.

set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 1:13 (ESV)

He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Romans 8:32 (ESV)

2. Prepare my mind for action.

Therefore, preparing your minds for action,... 1 Peter 1:13 (ESV))

Make church a priority

Read the Bible

Memorize the Bible

Study the Bible

Use Good Bible Software

Discuss God's Word

Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another. Proverbs 27:17 (ESV)

3. Avoid the <u>mental</u> <u>distractions</u> that cloud my spiritual judgment.

...and <u>being sober-minded</u>, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 1:13 (ESV)

And <u>if your hand causes you to sin, cut it off.</u> It is better for you to enter <u>life crippled than with two hands to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire.</u> Mark 9:43 (ESV)

4. Don't get <u>squeezed</u> into the <u>passions</u> of this world.

As obedient children, <u>do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance</u>, 1 Peter 1:14 (ESV)

5. Make holy living the passion of my living.

but <u>as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."</u> 1 Peter 1:14–16 (ESV)

6. Remember the future judgment.

And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, 1 Peter 1:17 (ESV)

He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for <u>he was looking to the reward</u>. Hebrews 11:26 (ESV)

So then <u>each of us will give an account of himself to God</u>. Romans 14:12 (ESV)

For <u>we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.</u> 2 Corinthians 5:10 (ESV)

knowing that whatever good anyone does, this he will receive back from the Lord, whether he is a slave or free. Ephesians 6:8 (ESV)

7. Remember the cost of my <u>future</u> and <u>freedom</u>.

knowing that <u>you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your</u> forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the <u>precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.</u> 1 Peter 1:18–19 (ESV)

Conclusion



For sin-free living... fix my eyes on the day I will be showered with God's grace and rewarded by Jesus.

It is the only way to not be pressed into the mold of a sin-filled world.

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