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BECOMING A NAZIRITE

“Therefore ‘come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you.’ ‘I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty.’ ” (2 Corinthians 6:17–18)

Objectives

Knowledge of God’s Will	The rules Nazirites followed made it clear to others and himself that he had been separated to serve the Lord. A Nazirite’s dedication was so important that they also had to undergo several actions to announce the conclusion of their vow to God.
Knowledge of God	God is holy. He is to be glorified above all others.
Good Works	Being a spiritual Nazirite means understanding whom our Father truly is. Separation from the world begins with our thoughts and minds, and to “come out” and “be separate,” we must avoid being conformed to this world.

A. Conditions of a Nazirite (Num 6:1–7)

1. *Abstain from wine (vv. 1–4):* Wine was associated with great blessing, wealth, celebration, and feasts. Abstaining from any product of the vine represented a Nazirite’s determination to give up the pleasures of this world.
2. *No razor shall touch his head (v. 5):* A lack of trimming would have been a visible symbol of the Nazirite’s focus on their inward, not outward, appearance.
3. *No contact with dead bodies (vv. 6–7):* Since a Nazirite was to lead a holy life untainted by the things of the world, he needed to keep himself pure by avoiding defilement.

B. The Conclusion of a Nazirite’s Vows (Num 6:13–21)

1. *Offerings (vv. 13–17):* The sin, burnt, and peace offerings were a reminder that despite his special service to God, the Nazirite’s acceptance was still based on God’s forgiveness and blessings.
2. *Shaving of the head (v. 18):* Burning his hair as a part of the peace offering was a reminder not to hold on to any past achievements that may arouse pride in his heart. All of his service was for God’s glory, not his own.
3. *Whatever else his hand is able to provide (v. 21):* If there were any additional personal vows that the Nazirite had made, he wasn’t to forget about them, but to continue to fulfill them.

C. Nazirites in the Bible

1. *Samson (Judg 13:6–7, 13–14)*
2. *Samuel (1 Sam 1:11)*
3. *John the Baptist (Lk 1:15)*
4. *Paul (Acts 18:18; 21:18–26)*

Life Application: A Spiritual Nazirite

1. *“Come Out from Among Them”*
2. *“Be Separate”*
3. *Am I a Modern Nazirite?*

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Lesson 3 Homework Assignment

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	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

Memory Verse (2 Corinthians 6:17–18):

1. What has God promised us if we remain separate from the world?
2. “He shall _____ himself from _____ and similar drink; he shall drink neither vinegar made from _____ nor vinegar made from similar drink; neither shall he drink any grape juice, nor eat fresh grapes or raisins.” (Numbers 6:3)
3. Explain the teachings that we can learn from the three vows of a Nazirite.
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
4. What in your life can you “abstain” from to improve your relationship with God?
5. What things can we do less of to make more time for our spiritual cultivation?