



# CBC Men's Fellowship

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## *The Holiness of God*

### Chapter 7 – **War and Peace** **with a Holy God**

#### **Key quotes from chapter 7 –**

- God is here, but we are unaware. p.166
- The yielding of the name was an act of submission. When Jacob surrendered his name, he surrendered his soul. He relinquished authority over his own life. With surrender came a new name, a new identity. P.168
- At least we can learn from this that god will engage us in our honest struggles. We may wrestle with the Holy One. Indeed, for the transforming power of God to change our lives, we must wrestle with Him. P.168
- Even if the budget is never balanced, even if the stock market crashes, even if food prices skyrocket, even if my child never recovers from her illness, even if I lose my job, and even if we lose our home – yet I will rejoice in the God of my salvation. P.174
- God is for the pursuit of righteousness, but He stands against the proud and the arrogant.
- The struggle we have with a holy God is rooted in conflict between God's righteousness and our unrighteousness. He is just, and we are unjust. The tension creates fear, hostility, and anger within us toward God. p. 180
- The first fruit of our justification is peace with God. p. 180
- Fragile. Unstable. Tenuous. These are the normal conditions of earthly peace. P.182
- When God signs a peace treaty, it is signed for perpetuity. P. 183
- Our peace with God is not fragile; it is stable. When we sin, God is displeased, and He will move to correct us and convict us of our sin. But He does not go to war against us. p.184

**Questions at the end of chapter 7 –**

1. Has God ever engaged you in honest struggle, as He did Jacob? What was the outcome? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Have you ever challenged God, as Job did? What was God's response? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Habakkuk's battle with God ended in a bold statement of faith, "Even if \_\_\_\_\_ happens, yet I will rejoice in the Lord." What are the "even if's" in your life? Are you willing to surrender them to the Lord? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. What does it mean to you personally that Christ's death offers us unending peace with God? \_\_\_\_\_

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5. How will you worship God for giving us unlimited access to Himself? \_\_\_\_\_

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