

## SANCTIFICATION

**Sanctify:** 1 : to set apart to a sacred purpose or to religious use : CONSECRATE  
2 : to free from sin : PURIFY

Heb 13:12

12 Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate.

**Point: The above verse shows it took the shedding of Jesus' blood to purify the people. See John 17: 17, 19 to understand how the blood is accessed.**

John 17:17,19

17 Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

19 And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.

**Point: The way we receive sanctification is through obedience to Jesus (the truth). The verses below clearly show that it takes obedience to the truth to be sanctified.**

1 Pet 1:22

22 Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently:

II Th 2:13

13 But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth:

**Point: A person cannot be sanctified unless they obey the truth, through faith.**

Acts 15:7-9

7 And when there had been much disputing, Peter rose up, and said unto them, Men and brethren, ye know how that a good while ago God made choice among us, that the Gentiles by my mouth should hear the word of the gospel, and believe.

8 And God, which knoweth the hearts, bare them witness, giving them the Holy Ghost, even as he did unto us;

9 And put no difference between us and them, purifying their hearts by faith.

Eph 5:25-26

25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;

26 That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,

**Point: The next few verses show that a person has to repent of their unrighteous deeds and obey the truth to be sanctified.**

1 Cor 6:9-11

- 9 Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind,
- 10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.
- 11 And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

1Thes 4:1-4

- 1 Furthermore then we beseech you, brethren, and exhort you by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk and to please God, so ye would abound more and more.
- 2 For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus.
- 3 **For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication:**
- 4 **That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour;**

**Point: Apostle Paul is showing how we possess our vessel in sanctification is by obeying the commandments of the Lord.**

2 Tim 2:20-22

- 20 But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour.
- 21 If a man therefore **purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified**, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.
- 22 Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

**Point: This shows how a person possesses his vessel in sanctification and honour. He purges himself by the commandments of God, fleeing youthful lusts and following righteousness, faith, charity, and peace. This is how a person is meet for the masters use and prepared unto every good work.**

**These next three passages show that sanctification brings you into fellowship with God, Jesus and the Church, that they all may be one.**

John 17:17-21

- 17 **Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.**
- 18 As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.
- 19 **And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.**
- 20 Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;
- 21 **That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us:** that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.

Heb 2:10-12

- 10 For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.
- 11 **For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one:** for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren,
- 12 Saying, I will **declare thy name unto my brethren, in the midst of the church** will I sing praise unto thee.

I Jn 1:3,6 & 7

- 3 That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and truly our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ.
- 6 If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth:
- 7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

**Point: John describes how sanctification brings us into fellowship with God, his Son, and the Church. We have this fellowship by walking in the light (the word), as he is in the light. This is how the blood of Jesus cleanses us.**

Heb 13:12

- 12 Wherefore Jesus also, **that he might sanctify the people with his own blood,** suffered without the gate.