

TRUE GRACE: POSITIONAL & PRACTICAL SANCTIFICATION

1. All believers in Christ are given a _____ at the moment of initial faith by the baptism of the Holy Spirit (1 Cor. 12:12-13; Gal. 3:2; Eph. 1:13-14; 4:5), so that Jesus Christ is every believer's propitiation, reconciliation, sanctification, redemption, and the source of all spiritual blessings in the heavenly places. (Rom. 3:24-25; 1 Cor. 1:30; 2 Cor. 5:19-20; Eph. 1:3-7; Col. 1:14; 1 John 2:2; 4:10)
 - *Is God satisfied with you or with His Son (i.e., toward you in His Son)?*
 - *How does your position in Christ differ from your condition? (1 Cor. 1:2; 3:1-4)*
 - *How should your blessings in Christ affect you? (Eph. 4:1, 17, 25; Col. 3:5, 12)*
 - *Are all blessings in your Christian life positional? (John 13:17; Acts 20:35; Jas. 1:12, 25; 5:12; 1 Peter 3:9, 14; 4:14; Rev. 1:3; 16:15)*
2. The word "sanctification" or "holiness" in both the Old Testament (*qōdesh*) and New Testament (*hagiosmos*) simply means _____ or being _____.
 - *What things are set apart according to the Bible?*
 - *How is the word "sanctification" related to the words "holy" and "saint"?*
 - *Who are "saints" according to the Bible? (Deut. 33:3; Ps. 16:3; 148:14; Rom. 1:7; 1 Cor. 1:2; Phi. 1:1)*
 - *If you're a "saint," are you still a "sinner"?* (1 Tim. 1:15; Jas. 4:4, 8)
 - *How do sin and sanctification relate to the three tenses of salvation?*

3. The THREE TENSES of Sanctification

a. *Positional Sanctification*: This is the gracious work of God for _____ in Christ at the moment of justification and regeneration whereby we are set apart by the baptism of the Holy Spirit into a _____ of union with Jesus Christ. (Acts 20:32; 26:18; 1 Cor. 1:2; 6:11; Eph. 4:24; 2 Thess. 2:13; Heb. 10:10-14, 29; 13:12; 1 Peter 1:2)

- *What is the basis for our positional sanctification?*
- *Can our positional sanctification ever end or be lost?*
- *Who does the work of positionally sanctifying believers?*
- *What is the sole requirement for someone to be positionally sanctified?*
- *Are we as believers already as holy as we'll ever be?*

b. *Practical Sanctification*: This is the gracious work of God in believers' lives who _____ whereby our _____ is affected as the Holy Spirit seeks to _____ us progressively into the image of Christ. (John 17:17-19; 2 Cor. 3:18; 7:1; 1 Thess. 4:1-8; 2 Tim. 2:21; Heb. 2:11; 12:10, 14; 1 Peter 1:15-16; 2:1-3; 2 Peter 3:11)

- *Who accomplishes the work of practical sanctification in our lives?*
- *To whom are we to be practically sanctified/set apart?*
- *From what are we to be practically sanctified/set apart?*
- *Can we as saints still grow closer to God? (Gal. 2:20; 4:19-20; Jas. 4:8; Rev. 3:20)*

c. *Perfect Sanctification*: This is the gracious work of God in believers' lives whereby every believer will be _____ set apart from sin and gloriously _____ to the image of Christ at the resurrection/rapture of the church. (Rom. 8:29-30; 1 Cor. 15:49; Eph. 5:27; Phi. 3:21; 1 Thess. 3:13; 5:23; 1 John 3:2-3; Jude 24)