

SERMON SERIES

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LESSON PLAN / SERMON SUMMARY

OBEDIENCE....THE PATH TO HOLINESS

1 Peter 1:13-16 (v. 16)

¹³ Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; ¹⁴ As **obedient** children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance: ¹⁵ But as he which hath called you is holy, so **be ye holy** in all manner of conversation; ¹⁶ Because it is written, **Be ye holy;** for I am holy.

LEVITICUS 11:44-45

⁴⁴ For I am the LORD your God: <u>ye shall therefore</u> <u>sanctify</u> <u>yourselves</u>, and <u>ye shall Be HOLY: for I AM HOLY</u> : neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. ⁴⁵ For I am the LORD that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: <u>ye shall</u> <u>therefore</u> <u>Be HOLY, for I AM HOLY</u>.

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2 CORINTHIANS 7:1

Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves

from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Teaching Purpose

Answers the question, "HOW should I understand this verse?" Is the passage dealing with a:

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Sin to confess and forsake?	<u>Promise</u> to claim?	<u>Example</u> to follow?	<u>Command</u> to obey?	<u>Situation</u> or <u>State of</u> <u>mind</u> to avoid before it develops
	John 4:23	2 Cor. 7:1	1 Peter 1:16	into a sin?

2 Corinthians 7:1 (AMP)

THEREFORE, SINCE these [great] promises are ours, beloved, let us cleanse Ourselves from everything that contaminates and defiles body and spirit, and Bring [our] consecration to completeness in the (reverential) fear of God.

1 Peter 1:16

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Leviticus 11:44-45

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Sermonic Principle(s)

Answers the question, "WHAT'S in it or what's the take away for me?"

- 1) GOD'S CALL to TRUE WORSHIP is
 - a CALL TO RELATIONSHIP (SALVATION)
 - a CALL TO CHANGE
 - a CALL TO A CHANGED LIFE
 - a CALL TO COSTLY LIVING
 - a CALL TO HOLY LIVING
 - a CALL TO HOLINESS (SANCTIFICATION)
 - a CALL TO CHRISTLIKENESS

2) GOD HAS CALLED US to HIMSELF!

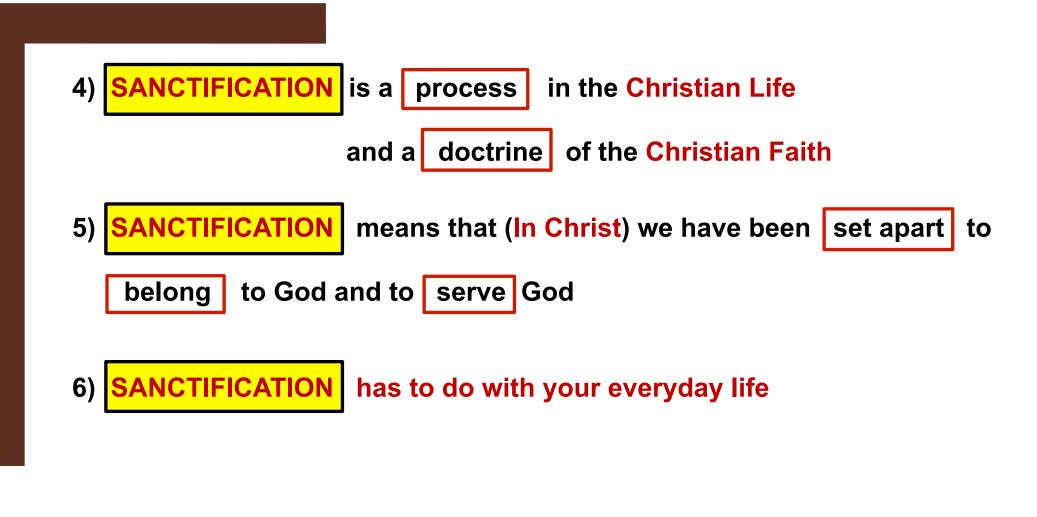
3) HE IS HOLY therefore WE should BE HOLY

JOHN 17:17 / 19

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¹⁷ **SANCTIFY** them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

¹⁹ And for their sakes I <u>SANCTIFY</u> myself, that they also might be
<u>SANCTIFIED</u> through the truth.



7) **SANCTIFICATION** has three (3) aspects

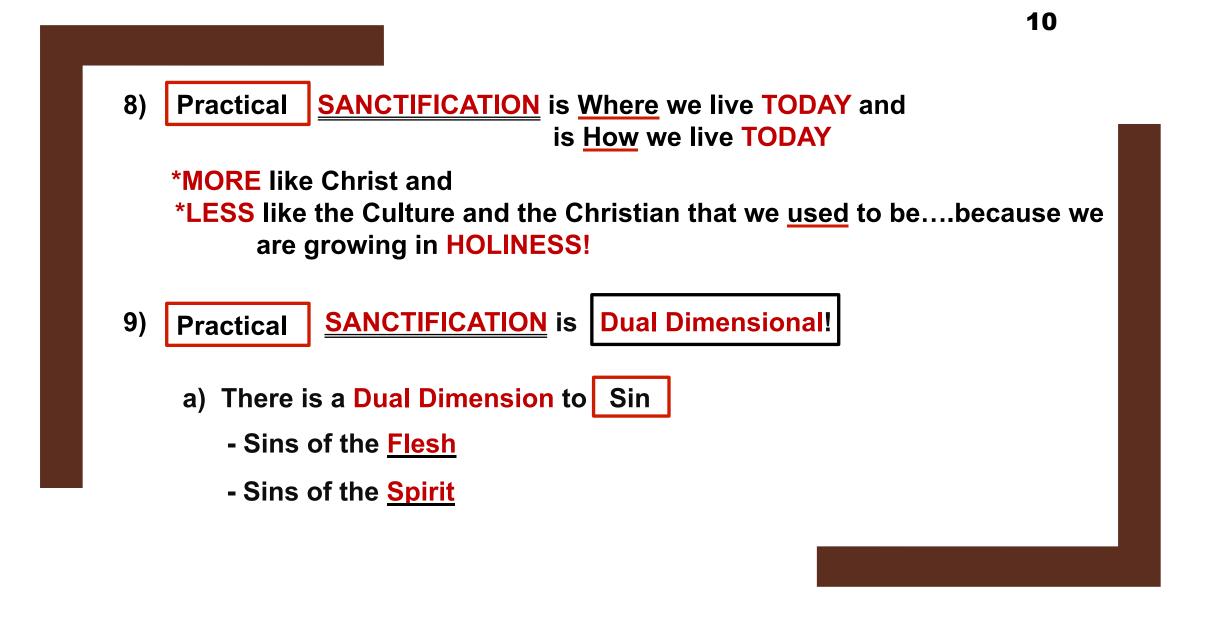
- a) **Positional SANCTIFICATION** (1 Corinthians 1:2) Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints , the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours.
- b) Practical SANCTIFICATION

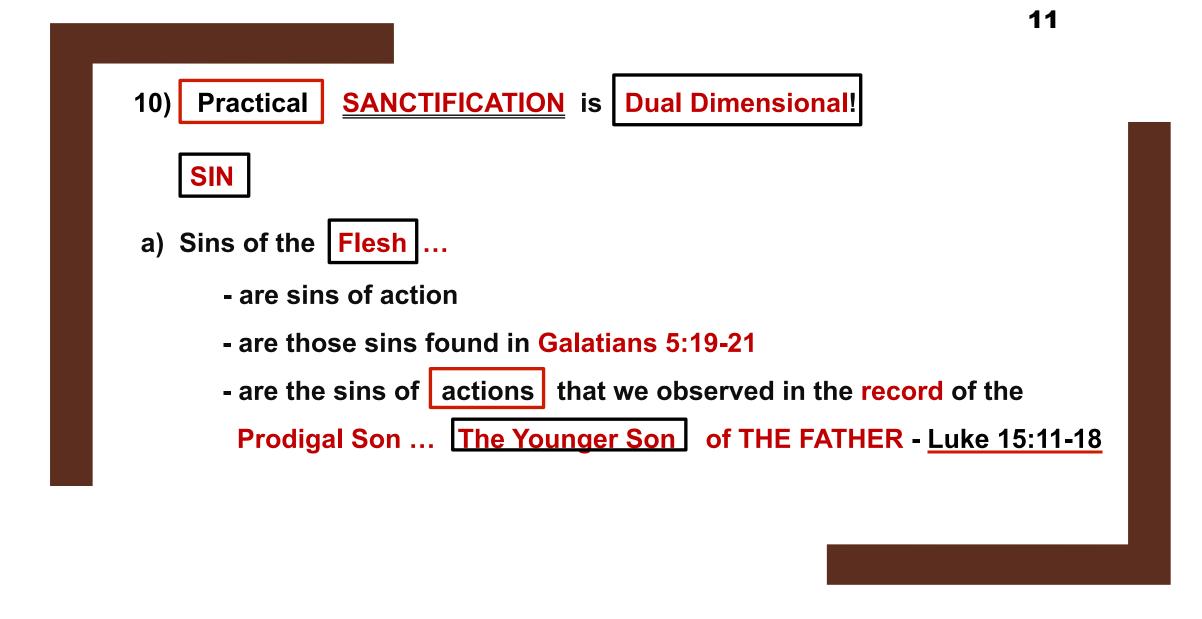
(John 3:30) - He must increase, but I must decrease.

(John 17:17) – <u>Sanctify</u> them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

c) **<u>Perfect</u>** SANCTIFICATION (1 John 3:2)

Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him ; for we shall see him as he is.





b) Sins of the Spirit .

- are sins of <u>attitude</u> observed in the record of the Prodigal Son.... The Elder Son of THE FATHER - <u>Luke 15:25-32</u> ... anger, resentment,

jealousy, envy, and rejection

- c) <u>As children of THE FATHER</u>, both the younger and elder sons are <u>alive</u> <u>in us</u> ... today!
- d) <u>As children of THE FATHER</u>, we are called to <u>Separate</u> from <u>both</u>
 - <u>the sins of the Flesh</u> (younger son)
 - the sins of the Spirit (elder son)

11) Practical SANCTIFICATION is Dual Dimensional

Perfecting HOLINESS

Cleanse Ourselves

HOLINESS

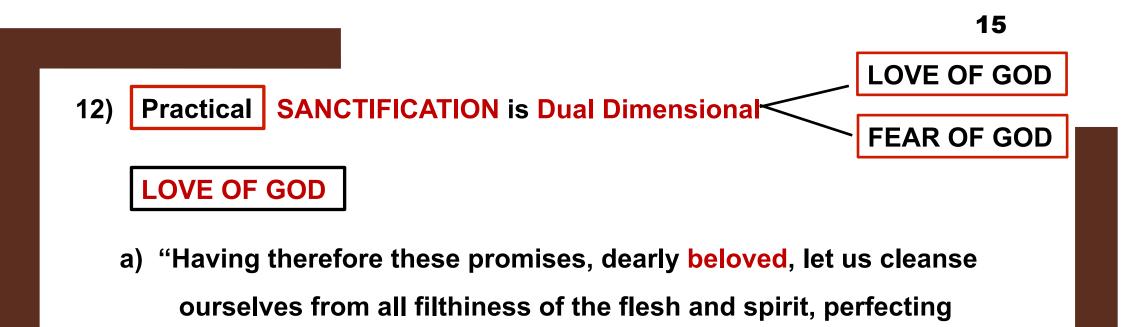
a) Let us cleanse ourselves ... this is the negative aspect of HOLINESS

2 Corinthians 6:14-18

¹⁴ Be ye not <u>unequally yoked</u> together with unbelievers: for what <u>fellowship</u> hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what <u>communion</u> hath light with darkness? ¹⁵ And what <u>concord</u> hath Christ with Belial? or what <u>part</u> hath he that believeth with an infidel? ¹⁶ And what <u>agreement</u> hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ¹⁷ Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, ¹⁸ And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, said the Lord Almighty. b)Perfecting HOLINESSin the FEAR OF GODThis is thepositiveaspect of HOLINESS.We are continuouslypursuingHOLINESS.

We practice HOLINESS toward a finish or completion of our growth.

c) We continue our <u>pursuit</u> of HOLINESS with the goal of becoming more and more like The LORD JESUS CHRIST!



holiness in the fear of God. 2 Corinthians 7:1

b) THE FATHER'S LOVE for us is the first aspect of and motivation for our **OBEDIENCE** to HIM

JOHN 14:21-23

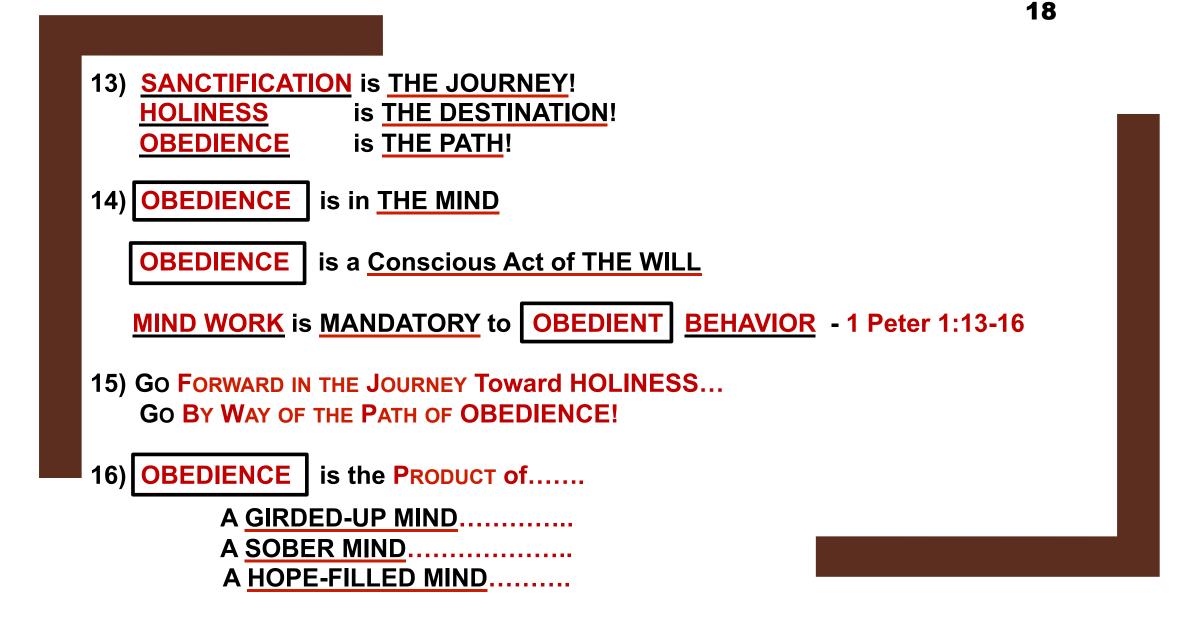
²¹ He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him. ²² Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world? ²³ Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.

FEAR OF GOD

- a) "perfecting HOLINESS in the fear of God" 2 Corinthians 7:1
- b) THE FATHER'S DISCIPLINE of us is the second aspect of and motivation for our **OBEDIENCE** to HIM

HEBREWS 12:6-7

⁶ For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. ⁷ If he endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not?



WHAT IS THE POINT TEACHER? HERE IS THE POINT PEOPLE!

Action Point

Having heard and understood this teaching, answers the question, "WHAT should I do?"

1) If you are a CHRISTIAN, THEN you are a WORSHIPPER!

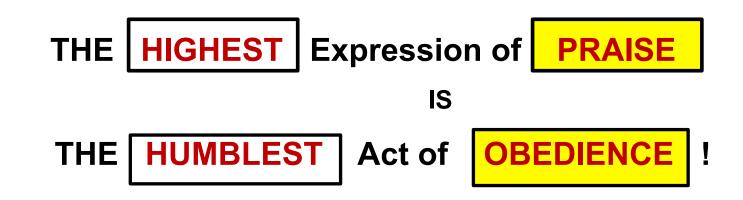
3) BE A TRUE WORSHIPPER!

5) WORSHIP THE FATHER IN <u>SPIRIT</u> AND IN <u>TRUTH</u> AND IN <u>HOLINESS</u>!



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²⁴ God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.



MATTHEW 15:8-9

⁸This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.

⁹But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.



I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

LIVE LIKE IT!!!

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