

Positional Sanctification

Positional sanctification¹ is only true according to Phil 2:12,

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling...

“Work out your *sanctification*, or your *holiness*, with fear and trembling.” The only way to work it out is Eph 2:10, in community, which is His Body (Col 1:18; Eph 4:12,16). To *work it out* is to do your part in Eph 4:16 by Eph 2:10 and 4:12, in order that Rev 19:7-8 will pertain to you (Dan 12:2-3). Why else should we tremble unless we have to do our part in our salvation?

Salvation is receiving the gospel of the Kingdom — the Reign of God over our lives in His Body. 1 Pet 2:9-10 is a work that only those who are sanctified can do.

What use is it, my brethren, if someone says he has faith but he has no works? Can that faith save him? (Jms 2:14)

Christians have been bamboozled into thinking they have faith and are sanctified and are waiting to die and go to Heaven. They go to Church, mainly on Sunday morning, and hear “the gospel” and are given assurance that they are saved. They quote Jn 5:24,

Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life.

But 1 Jn 3:14,16,23 and 1 Jn 2:4 are never heard. Yet these verses go along with Jn 5:24,

We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love the brethren. He who does not love his brother abides in death. (1 Jn 3:14)

By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. (1 Jn 3:16)

¹ *Positional sanctification* – The doctrine which holds that sanctification is possessed by every believer because of his position as a child of God. Positional sanctification bears no relationship at all to the believer’s daily life. It is an accomplished fact, which holds true regardless of how spiritual or unspiritual the believer may be. The believer is said to be *positionally* sanctified, holy, and set apart from a state of sin, wickedness, and blindness. This position can never change, alter, diminish or ever be extinguished.

And this is His commandment: that we should believe on the name of His Son Jesus Christ and love one another, as He gave us commandment. (1 Jn 3:23)

Apart from this connection, 1 Jn 5:13 (KJV) is just a useless epistle to combat questions pervading the early church, as is the letter written in the second century to the Twelve Tribes of Israel on the decline. They would not accomplish Isa 49:6, but Mt 21:43 and 24:14 would be 1900 years in the future (Acts 1:7,8; Mk 9:11-12; Dan 2:44; 7:24; Rev 17:12; Mt 24:34). Dan 12:4,9 — sealed for 2500 years, but no longer!!!

The Fruit of the Reign of God

We are now living in the days of Dan 2:44 since Isa 49:6 is being restored to bring to fruition Mt 24:14 (verses 29-31,34). Mt 21:43 — The fruit is the results of the reign of God in the lives of all who have responded to the gospel of the Kingdom — the Reign of God, which is expressed as a witness to the world. This will be a sign of the coming judgment, as was Noah, the preacher of righteousness. He was not just speaking words, but had the witness of the ark in his own front yard.

Mt 24:14; Isa 52:15 — Unless the fruit can be observed, no one can understand the gospel of the Reign of God, which is lived out in the community life, or Body life, before the watching world. Jn 13:35 and 17:23 presents the evidence before all to see what they have heard.

1 Tim 2:8 is the manifestation of Jn 13:34-35; 17:21-23, as it was in Acts 4:32, which must be restored (Mk 9:11-12). Christianity, however, presents the adverse picture of 1 Tim 2:8 (as the fulfillment of Mal 1:5,11). And 1 Cor 1:10 is in no way what the Christian church shows the world.

Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Master Yahshua ha Mashiyach, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. (1 Cor 1:10)

Denominationalism

Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? (1 Cor 1:13)

1 Cor 1:13 is denominationalism in its greatest expression. This is the work of Satan, which blasphemes the God and Father of our Master Yahshua, presenting a false Christ, which is divided. Can Messiah be divided? No, not Paul's (2 Cor 11:4).

Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also transform themselves into ministers of righteousness, whose end will be according to their works. (2 Cor 11:15)