

Sanctification

A Set-Apart Place

1 Cor 1:2 — *Every place* is the same as in Mal 1:11 and Dt 12:5,11,14,18,21, and also 1 Tim 2:8, “I want all the men in *every place* to lift up hands without any dissension whatsoever between anyone, but be in perfect peace, perfect unity, perfect oneness, as the Father and the Son.” That is the only way that the Edah can be. *Place* means a locality. It is a set-apart and sanctified place, meaning separate, like the church in the first century. In Jerusalem they were together in a *place*, and they had all things in common — they lived together.

We are in a set-apart, sanctified place in order to become saints. We are becoming purified and holy — everything He wants us to be. That is what the word *sanctify* means. *Saints* means holy or purified ones. No one can be purified on his own. We can only be purified in a place where we live together and have all things in common. We can't be sanctified in any other *place*, because we are dependant upon our Father through each other to exist. This is in every locality within the Twelve Tribes of Israel.

To be *sanctified* (#37) means set apart, called to be *saints* (#40). Not everyone will be a saint, but we are *called* to be saints. Not everyone will be purified in order to reign with our Master in the next age. We are called to be saints, called to be purified. We are called to be holy as our Father is holy. We have to be sanctified or set apart in a particular place in order to become saints. It's a process. This happens in every town where the saints are set apart to live together. Acts 2:44 is the only way that we can be sanctified or made to be saints. It says, “All who believed were together [*are together*] and have all things in common.”

If you don't have all things in common, you can never become saints, meaning, to be fit to rule with Him in the next age. Anyone who is unworthy of our Master will not be able to rule with Him. We have to be in perfect unity, and be perfectly sanctified,

perfectly purified. 1 Jn 3:1-3 — Those who purify themselves will rule with our Master. We will be like Him, and we will see Him as He is.

An Uncommon People

We are sanctified to be holy, set apart from any distractions of the world. That does not mean that we are not going to be in the world. We will be in the world, but not of it. Jn 17:15-19 — You can see what our Master prayed for before He was crucified, in order that His crucifixion and His suffering in death would not be in vain. Christianity is in vain — if that is all He gets, He died in vain. If there is not a restoration of that *place*, in every locality of the Twelve Tribes, then He died in vain, and He did not accomplish anything, and He went into death for nothing. But He went into death for us, in order that He could have a people. This is a set-apart place where there will not be those distractions from the world. We will be kept from the evil one. Jn 17:15-20 is talking about us.

There are many expressions of the word *sanctified*. He was set apart to die for us. Now the Holy Spirit is set apart, and that is why He is called *Holy Spirit*, because *holy* means set apart for a particular purpose and reason. The Spirit is set apart for us, and only us. He is not doing anything else, and has nothing else on His mind except for us. The only thing that He exists for right now is for us, in order to sanctify and purify a people to rule the universe. Our Father has set apart His Spirit in order to make us holy as He is holy. If we aren't holy as He is holy, then we aren't His people. His people are a holy people.

A United Body

We are to be kept from any influences of the world, as much as possible, as we live together. We protect one another, and if we're sent into the world, we know that we are sent. We don't go into the world on our own; we go with one another, so that we can be each other's protection. Sometimes, we have to send people by themselves, and if

they're not trustworthy, they can get into trouble. There is no independent action in the Body of Messiah, and if you are independent, it means you're not a part of the Body. My arm doesn't go and do something on its own; it goes through the head. If my head wants it to do something, then my arm does it; it doesn't act on its own.

When we first started out, community was unintentional. We didn't know any better; we just loved one another, so we didn't want to leave one another. We just wanted to live together, and we didn't want anything else. It wasn't an *intentional community*. We were led by the Holy Spirit. He is the One who established us. In the first century, they started living together and they had all things in common.

A Visible Life of Unity

We have to live in community in the midst of the world around us. If we have a farm outside of town, we have a community in the town, so we can be associated together. We don't want people to think that we are living solo somewhere, out in a desolate place. They would be afraid to visit us there. People need to see our actions in town, our life, just as a lot of people see our life here now, and they aren't afraid of us. The people who see us aren't afraid of us. The people who don't see us are afraid of us.

We are not of the world, but have been saved from it. Acts 2:39-40 — We have come out of this wicked and perverse generation, out of this abnormal society. Now we have to be in perfect unity. In Acts 4:32 they were in perfect unity — heart, mind, and soul. They were exactly as our Master prayed, “That they would be one as I am one with the Father.” They were set-apart. We love one another as in Jn 13:34. He commanded us to love one another, so the world would know that we are His disciples. We will be differentiated between those who serve Him and those who don't serve Him (Mal 3:18).

Mutual Glory

Jn 17:17,19 — We are set apart in truth; not in falsehood, not in error, but in truth. We are set apart, and He is set apart, and we are both sanctified. It is a reciprocal

thing. We are set apart for Him, and He is set apart for us, and that is how we live. Jn 14:18 — He has come to us. Our Master's Spirit is in our midst, and this is where we serve Him, where He is (Jn 12:26). He was praying for *us* in Jn 17:20. He was not just praying for the apostles of old, but for those who would believe in Him through their word. We have taken His word into our hearts. We are understanding the word so the Spirit can work through us. I am thankful that we have the word that some of the original apostles wrote. Jn 17:21-23 — That they would be one as the Father and Son are one, because they have the very same glory that our Master had. We have that glory, unless we are *Ichabod*. If the glory has departed, then the world cannot know that our Father sent His Son.

The world does not know this. Christians do not know it, so we have to impart understanding to people, and to each other, if we fail to understand these things.

Set Apart from the World

1 Cor 1:2 — The one who serves Him where He is cannot become defiled, or made common. This is what *sanctified* means. We are set apart in a *place* in order to be sanctified and become saints. There is no way that we can become saints unless we are in a set-apart place where we live together and have all things in common. This is the hardest thing on earth that you can possibly do, if you are not a believer. If you don't have the Holy Spirit and you do not have His love in your heart, it is impossible and it is a torture chamber. You don't want to do it; it is neither practical nor feasible.

Thousands of different communities have been started, with people trying to living together, but they can't do it. They are trying and trying without the Holy Spirit to live in community, and it is just impossible. And it is impossible for us if we're not in communion with the one Spirit. One who serves Him where He is cannot become defiled or common. We are set apart and sanctified in a place where we are not made common with the rest of the world. We will not be defiled if we are being led by the Spirit.

Those Who Destroy

If we start listening to worldly music, reading worldly things, and doing things on our own, then we can be defiled in a community. Those kinds of people shouldn't even be in the community. They will be destroyed in the lake of fire, because all who destroy our Father's temple will be destroyed. Don't think that you are going to get out of it. Anyone who destroys is a destroyer. Satan is a destroyer, and whoever destroys follows Satan, not our Father, and not our Master. 1 Cor 3:16-17 — Those who destroy will be sent out, and they will join the pack of wolves. It won't go well with them because they are not respectful, and they are not honoring their parents.

So that is what *sanctified* means. We won't be defiled or made common with the rest of the world, as all Christians are. Christians are common with the rest of the world, but claim to be God's people, and that is why their guilt will remain forever and ever.

Withdraw from the World

2 Tim 2:4 — We know that no one in warfare can be involved in civilian affairs. It is impossible. If you are, you are not a soldier of our Master. The early church was called *the church militant*, but they lost their war. They weren't militant against the evil that would try to creep into the Edah and destroy it. It filled up with destroyers, and they just started to go to church on Sundays.

What our Master prayed for can never happen if we are not "together and have all things in common." 1 Cor 1:2,9,10 — We are called into fellowship with Him, where He is. You can't be in fellowship with Him anywhere else except in the Body of Messiah, unless you are sent somewhere. If you are sent, you are covered and you have a good conscience. You know that you have the protection of our Father upon you.

Being sanctified actually means withdrawal from fellowship with the world. We are salt and light wherever we have been sent to work. Some have gotten in fellowship with people of the world more than the people in the community, loving people in the

world more, so that they'd rather please them than please their brothers and sisters. It can happen, so you have to be on guard. We have withdrawn from fellowship with the world (1 Jn 2:15).

Someone might say, "I don't love the world, or the things of the world."

"You don't? Well, how come you're listening to that? How come you love Rush Limbaugh more than you love the teachings?"

These things are very stimulating, but we have to be very aware that it is the world. We have to learn from the anointing, from the Holy Spirit. Rush Limbaugh has enough truth to make the error lethal. We don't take a stand in politics. Politics isn't even a part of us. We are neither liberal nor conservative, neither Democrats nor Republicans, because we are not even civilians.

We have withdrawn from fellowship with the world, and we're drawn to our brothers and sisters. This is the only way that we can grow up into the head, in every aspect of our personality — socially, mentally, physically, emotionally, and spiritually. We have to grow up into every aspect to be like our Master. He was well-balanced.

A Witness of the Truth

Lk 19:10 — We send out walkers in twos. Sometimes when you are by yourself, you get intimidated to talk to people, but if there are two people, you're not intimidated. It throws intimidation out the window when you have two people out making disciples. Our Master knew it, so He said to go out in twos. He passed this on to us, to seek and save the lost by sending out walkers. Jn 17:18 — We get hands laid on us, and we are sent from this *place*, from this separate, set-apart place, where we are becoming holy saints (Jn 17:17).

He prayed that we would be able to live and move and have our being in the truth, and that we would be a witness of the truth. Jn 18:37 — Our Master was a witness of the truth, and whoever is of the truth hears His voice. Whoever hears His voice will

also be a witness of the truth. They grow holy, they grow into saints. We are sanctified in order to *become* saints. *Become* indicates transition. We aren't automatically saints, but we *become* saints. We become holy as our Master is holy, as our Father is holy. We grow up into the head in every aspect of our being. 1 Jn 3:1-3 — If we don't become saints, and are not purified, then we won't see Him as He is. Whoever has this hope will purify himself, and he will see Him as He is. We have to live under the power of the Holy Spirit that sets us apart to become saints. We have to be holy as God is holy.

Eph 1:4; 1 Pet 1:15-16 — Without blame before Him in love. If we are to be holy as He is holy, then this kind of life is imperative and essential. We cannot do it outside of living together. If you don't want to live together, then you are not His holy people. Those who are not His holy people do not have eternal life. If you *claim* to have eternal life, and you *don't* have eternal life, then your guilt remains forever.

The very holiness of our Father is passed on to His saints. It is a process of *becoming*. It is being passed on in our character. David said, "Judge me, according to my righteousness." We have *His* righteousness, but we are in the process of *our* righteousness and our character becoming like His by the way we deal with one another. It is the way we talk to one another, the way we see things, how we hear things, what we do, how we do it, what we say, and how we say it. It is passed on to the saints in the process of becoming. It is passed into our own character to be like Him. 1 Jn 3:1-3 — We have to be like Him in every way. No one can become a saint on his own. 1 Cor 1:2 — In every set-apart *place* we grow and develop and become all that we were saved to be.

The Law Stands

Lev 19:2; 11:44 — This still stands. We are not to be unclean by the things that we eat. If we are eating garbage, or things that aren't food (like pigs, or unclean fish, or snails), then that means that we are not holy, and we are not His people. If we claim to be His people, and we eat unclean food, then we are not holy as He is holy because He

doesn't eat those things, and His people don't eat those things. We can talk to Christians about this.

Lev 19:3 still stands. We respect and honor our parents. This still stands, just as everything else still stands that makes you holy. If it was holy then, and we don't revere our parents, then we are not holy, and we are not His people. If we eat what the Gentiles eat, we are not holy, and we are not His people, and we don't have eternal life. His holy people honor their parents, and if we don't, then we are not His holy people. You are headed for the lake of fire if you claim to be holy, but you are not. You show it by not honoring your parents, or not honoring authority. Honoring the Sabbath and honoring your parents still stands supreme today.

1 Pet 2:9-10 — We are His holy people, His set-apart people who are holy as God is holy. We don't participate in things that aren't holy. He has set apart things for His people to eat, and nothing has changed. Mt 21:43 — He said, "I'm going to take the kingdom away from you who aren't holy, and give it to a people who will be holy." Only those who are holy can bring about the fruit of the kingdom. The reason why it was taken away from them was because they proved that they were not holy.

If one is not holy as God says *holy* is, they are absolutely not God's holy people, and they still have a valid contract with Satan. The contract with death that Adam made has not been broken. They haven't been delivered from their contract with death. Only His people who are holy have voided that contract.

Baruch — It is really amazing that we could voluntarily go into a chrysalis — the container for the caterpillar to turn into a butterfly. There are people out there crawling around, way down there in the muck of the earth saying, "Yeah — I have everything in me to be a butterfly. I'm actually a monarch caterpillar. I'm as good as a butterfly." And they might have everything in them to become a butterfly, but unless they go into the chrysalis and are turned to goo, and go through the metamorphosis, then they are just caterpillars on the ground, confined to the dust.

Our Father said, “Jacob, you worm!” So we “worms” are being turned into butterflies. We don’t want to stay worms, do we? You are going to become a butterfly as you honor your parents and love them.

Neshef — We heard that we are dependant on our Father to exist. Do I really understand that? I am dependant on my brothers to exist? We can’t exist outside community. If we don’t have each other, we can’t even exist! It puts such a weight on how we see and hear from each other, how we respect one another. It’s not just us and Him, but we exist through each other.

That is what discerning the Body means — you can’t enter into breaking of bread without discerning the Body.

Zahav — If we work double time now, cutting off our iniquities and sanctifying ourselves, then the next generation that comes will have that same heart to work twice as hard to cut off their iniquities. Eventually, there will be a generation that will cut off all their iniquities, and the end can come about because the Male Child comes forth. It’s not about us. Our Master sanctified Himself so that those who came after Him could be sanctified. We are called to do the same thing. We are being sanctified so those that come after us can also be sanctified. There is hope to raise another generation that makes it farther than we do, and eventually the Male Child will come about.

Havah bat Zerubbabel — I’m thankful for what I heard about honoring our parents. Cursing your parents is not necessarily saying something, but can be just knowing what your parents would be pleased with, and doing the opposite. That is the first step on the road to the lake of fire. The Holy Spirit is a Helper; He helps us to overcome. Other spirits are helpers, too. A spirit comes along and helps your soul become something. Either your soul becomes like Yahshua, or it becomes your iniquities. When I know the right thing to do and I don’t do it, that is when I cut off the help to overcome the iniquities that I have. I want to use my will to honor my parents and choose to do the right thing, so that I’ll have the help I need to overcome and become holy like Yahshua, and not become part of the world.

The good angels are called *holy*, and they are set apart for us. They don’t have any other job to do. That is why they are here. You don’t see them; they are spirits. They look upon the women also, and see whether their headcovering is real, or just a sham. Is it

really submission? Or do they just put it on? (1 Cor 11:10) Angels are in our midst, they are right here. I don't know how many angels we've got here. You don't think of it, but it is true. What are they doing if they're not here for us? They are holy for us. They see everything we do; they are watching. They hear everything we say. They understand English. There is no language you can speak that they won't understand. We are happy that they are here. There are guardian angels, too.

Ne'eman — Our Master said that no one could be a disciple unless he first gave up all his possessions, and then he could learn to be like Him. He didn't die for us so that we can just sit on a shelf. He desires us to rule. It is so wonderful that He made this place. It is impossible to become sanctified on your own, studying the Bible. You have to be in this *place*. How long has it been since there has even been a *place*? So many people have had a heart for our Father, but they didn't have this opportunity. We really have a marvelous privilege.

He takes us at a place, and prunes us so that we can bear more fruit. If you are a pot, you come out of the furnace, out of the fire, and you get set up on a shelf for a while. When it cools down, then the potter takes you and smears all this goop on you, glaze, and then he makes the fire raging again, and puts you back into the fire until it is complete. That last firing purges so many. It sanctifies all the holy that want to be pure. We are being made a vessel for the highest use on our Master's table. We have to go through that whole process. Our Father is the potter and we are the pot.

Sarah — A lot of times when the fire starts to heat up and the dross starts to come out of your life you want to stir it back in so people won't see it, because it is so ugly. It is just so disgusting to see, even the fact that it is part of you, and so you want to stir it back in real fast so nobody can see it, instead of just letting it be taken away. But the reality is that it gets harder to remove the more you stir it back in.

And I was just thinking about what we heard about the caterpillar, because I know sometimes in that process when you are turning to mush that it is one of the most vulnerable places that you can be in, and the natural response for me is to want to just draw back, because I don't know people's hearts or what are they going to think about me and all this stuff

that is coming out of me. I am just mushy and scared and I don't really want you to touch me right now. It is that kind of self concern.

But I am just really grateful that the reality is that we need each other, and our circumstances are in front of us so that our own natural strength can be taken away. That is what this life is for. And really we have to see it as a privilege and I really want to see it as a privilege, that I wouldn't take my life away when things get uncomfortable, but would really see it as a privilege.

I don't want to be scared to let other people handle me, even if I am just mush or all these things are coming out of my life. I know our Father is going to save us if we let Him, and I am just really grateful for that.

We have a great hope to offer to people. So many people have no idea that our Father is doing this wonderful and great thing on the earth, and the only way they are going to know is through us. So I just want to be one of His ambassadors. I want to be somebody who overcomes for Him and just let my life turn to mush, and let people handle me even when it hurts.

Chezeqah — Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also; or you can say, where your heart is, there your treasure is. I want my treasure to be where our Father's Spirit dwells. I want to welcome Him sanctifying us, whatever it takes. There was a time in my life when I started having children, and I heard Yônêq say that if he ever had a child, he would pray that from his offspring could come the Male Child. When I heard that, I really desired it. We have to wage war against the things that militate against our Father. I want to be just like ha-êmeq, because she doesn't take any rest, in the spiritual sense. I don't want to take any rest. I'm thankful that my treasure is here. I look at the people that I am around, and I'm just so thankful for the Spirit that dwells in them. Nothing else matters but being with all of you, and to me you are the most precious possession that I could ever have. I want my children to have that same response. I want them to see that this is the treasure that we've been given. There is nothing greater than this life, than the Spirit of our Master Yahshua that dwells among His people. Our future is so bright.

Hannah bat Ayal — We have hope in being purified. The Holy Spirit is reserved and set apart for us. I don't want to do anything that would hinder the angels from being able to help us. They are set apart for us, and that is special. I don't want to get entangled in anything besides what our Father needs me to do. I want Satan to be done away with in my life.

We can quench the Holy Spirit, and we can grieve the Holy Spirit — two things. *Quench* is putting out the fire. The Holy Spirit can also be *grieved*, as when Derush was sent away for seven years. Every day of his life, the Holy Spirit was grieving. If you have the Holy Spirit, you know when He is being grieved inside of you. You sense it in yourself, in your own spirit. If someone leaves the community and is happy, well then the Holy Spirit wasn't in him, and he belongs to the world. But if you belong to Him, this is where you will be, and you will set your face like flint to carry out His will.

Yadel — I'm thankful for everything we heard tonight. What Baruch said is so true, that our Father knows the perfect environment that we need to be saved perfectly. It doesn't work for us to be saved through a mystical relationship with God. But our real salvation comes from our Father through our real brothers and sisters. We don't have to figure out how to be saved on our own but we can see clearly what's what in our lives through our brothers. Our Father knows that it's too much for us if He just said, "Okay, here's all your trash in a pile, now figure out what to do with it." It's perfect that He would show us what is what with the help of our brothers and we wouldn't have to decide on our own what's trash and what's not.

Sometimes I think about how I don't want to be passive about overcoming my iniquities. So I think, "I'm just going to try really hard to do things right and keep my mouth shut so I don't say anything wrong." But I know that's really just trying to gut it out in my own strength. And of course I won't be saved through my own strength but only our Father's. I thought about how really the way I can not be passive is by being totally humble when someone comes to me. Even if I can't see I can really actively pray that our Father would help me to see and cut off those things. I don't have to sort through it on my own.

It made me think about how when I was young I used to collect doo-dads in my drawers. After a little while I would go and open my drawer and think to myself "Wow! This is such a mess! How did it get like this?" And I would tell myself that I needed to get rid of all that junk. SO I would go through all of it, but one by one I would say, "Oh, so and so gave this to me," or, "I've had this for years now." So I would clear out maybe two or three things, but really the drawer basically stayed the same because everything had so much sentimental value.

But it made me think about how I don't want to be that way with the things that are in me. I want to be able to see things for what they are. Zahav always says, "Yadel, you really need to rule over your emotions. You really have to learn how to cut off this way in you that you don't rule over your emotions." Something in me wants to be obedient, but then there is something else that comes to me that says, "Of course it's my emotions. I've been this way for years. They are just there and that's the way I am." So it becomes just another doo-dad that has sentimental value, you know, one of my little attachments.

But really I want to be active. Even if it is something that I am totally familiar with that I would just say, "Ok, yes. That's the way I am. I'm sorry." And then actively cry out for grace to overcome those ways, and not be proud about letting our Father take it out. And not have an attitude of, "Ok, Father, please save me from this, but please make sure no one sees what it really is. I know it's really trash, but really it has value to me, so please make sure that no one sees it because they will think it is ridiculous," or whatever else may come to me.

I am just thankful for the Body that helps us see things for what they are. I want my treasure to be in our Master, not in doo-dads that I am familiar with. I want my treasure to be in the Body and my brothers and sisters.