In Jesus We Are Sanctified

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"Paul, called to be an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God, and Sosthenes our brother, unto the church of God which is in Corinth, (who) having been Sanctified in Christ Jesus, called saints, with everyone who in every place call upon the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours. Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ. I thank my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given to you in Jesus Christ; so that in everything you are enriched in Him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge." (I Corinthians 1:1-5)

"But <u>God</u> has chosen the foolish things (people) of the world to confound the wise; and <u>God</u> has chosen the <u>weak things</u> of the world to confound the things which are mighty; and <u>base things</u> of the world, and things <u>which are despised</u>, <u>God</u> has chosen, <u>yes</u>, and things which are not, to bring to <u>nothing</u> the things that are; so that no flesh should glory in His presence. But <u>by Him</u> you are <u>in Christ Jesus</u>, who is made unto us <u>wisdom from God</u>, and <u>righteousness</u>, <u>and sanctification</u>, and <u>redemption</u>; so that, according as it is written, 'He who glories, let him glory <u>in the Lord'</u> (Jeremiah. 9:23-24)." (I Corinthians 1:27-31)

Having been Sanctified: from the Greek word <u>hegiasmenois</u> a verb which means: <u>having-been-sanctified</u>; from <u>hagiazo</u>: meaning to sanctify, to make holy, to consecrate, to set apart (unto God). This is the process through which we become new creations in Christ Jesus; it is also called <u>sanctification</u>.

In Christ Jesus: from the Greek words <u>en Christo Iesou</u> which mean: <u>in Christ Jesus;</u> it is as Jesus said:

"If you love Me, keep My commandments, and I will ask the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, so that He may abide with you forever; even the (Holy) Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him, nor knows Him; but you know Him; for He dwells with you, and shall be in you. I (Jesus) will not leave you comfortless; I (Jesus) will come to you. Yet in a little while, and the world will see Me no longer; but you see Me, and because I live, you shall live also. In that day you shall know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and Lin you." (John 14:15-20)

Saints: from the Greek word <u>hagiois</u> a noun which means: <u>saints</u>, or <u>holy-ones</u>: this is <u>who</u> believers in Jesus <u>are</u> after they have been sanctified in Christ Jesus. And this is how our Father in Heaven views those believers who are in Christ Jesus: His holy people!!

Sanctification: from the Greek word <u>hagiasmos</u> a noun which means: <u>sanctification</u>; or sanctity; or purification: the process through which saints are transformed through the Lord Jesus into His likeness: holiness, purity, etc. ...; an ongoing process in Christ Jesus.

That Jesus sanctified believers through His death on the Cross is confirmed as follows:

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and today, and forever. Be not carried about with diverse and strange doctrines. It is a good thing that the heart be established with grace; not with food, which have not profited those who have been occupied therein. We have an altar, of which they who serve the tabernacle have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned outside the camp. Therefore, Jesus also, so that **He might sanctify the people through His own blood**, suffered outside the gate (of the city). Therefore, let us go forth **unto Him** outside the camp, bearing His reproach (as when on the Cross for our sanctification). For here we have no continuing city, but we seek one to come. Therefore, **through Him** let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips **giving thanks to His Name**." (Hebrews 13:8-15)

And again:

"Therefore, when <u>He</u> (Jesus) comes into the world, He says, 'Sacrifice and offering You (the Father) do not desire, but a (human) body You have prepared for Me. In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin You have had no pleasure. Then I (Jesus) said, 'Behold, I come; in the volume of the book it is written of Me, to do <u>Your will</u>, O God (the Father) (Psalm 40:6-8).' Above when He said, 'Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and offering for sin You wouldest not, nor have pleasure therein;' [which are offered by the law;] when-then He said, 'Behold, I come to do <u>Your will</u>, O God,' He takes away the first (covenant), so that He may establish the second. In that will (God's will) we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once (for everyone). And every priest stands daily ministering and offering many-times the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins; but this Man (Jesus), after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the Right Hand of God; from henceforth waiting 'until His enemies be made <u>His</u> footstool (psalm 110:1).' For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are sanctified." (Hebrews 10:5-14)

Our sanctification in Christ Jesus is truly accomplished by the Father, His Son Jesus, and God's Holy Spirit; as it says:

"Jude, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to those who are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, and called: mercy unto you, and peace, and love, be multiplied." (Jude 1:1-2)

"And such were some of you: but you are washed, but you are sanctified, and you are justified in the Name of the Lord Jesus, and in the Spirit of our God." (I Corinthians 6:11)

"Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Spirit. And I myself am also persuaded about you, my brethren, that you also are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge, able also to admonish one another. Nevertheless, brethren, I have written more boldly unto you on some things, as putting you in mind, because of the grace that is given to me by God, that I should be the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the Good-news of God, so that the offering up of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified in the Holy Spirit." (Romans 15:13-16)

Therefore, "we see <u>Jesus</u>, who was made a little lower than the angels <u>for the suffering of death</u>, **crowned with glory and honor**; so that <u>He</u> by the grace of God <u>should taste death for every man</u>. For it was fitting for <u>Him</u>, for whom are all things, and through whom are all things, in bringing many sons (children) unto glory, to make the <u>Author of their Salvation (Jesus)</u> perfect through sufferings. For both <u>He (Father, Son, Holy Spirit)</u> who <u>sanctifies</u> and <u>those (saints)</u> who are <u>sanctified</u> are all of one; for which cause <u>He (Jesus)</u> is not ashamed to call them (the saints in Christ Jesus) <u>brethren</u>; saying, '*I will declare Your (the Father's) Name unto <u>My</u> <u>brethren</u>, in the midst of the church <u>I will sing praise unto You'</u> (<u>Psalm 22:22</u>)." (Hebrews 2:9-12)*

"Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the aliens (saints) scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, <u>chosen</u> according to the foreknowledge of <u>God the Father</u>, through <u>sanctification</u> of the <u>Spirit</u>, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ; grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied. Blessed be the <u>God and Father</u> of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to <u>His</u> abundant mercy has <u>born-again us</u> unto a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible, and unde filed, and that does not fade away, reserved in Heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time." (I Peter 1:1-5)

The apostle Peter connects the attribute of believers <u>being Born-again</u> with <u>our Sanctification</u>; perhaps in remembrance of the words of Jesus Himself:

"Jesus answered, '<u>Truly, truly</u>, I say unto you: except a man be born of water <u>and of the Spirit</u>, <u>he cannot enter into the Kingdom of God</u>. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which <u>is born of the Spirit is spirit</u>.' 'Marvel not that I said unto you: '<u>You must be born again</u>.' " (<u>John 3:5-7</u>)

Jesus truly prayed for the sanctification of His disciples: and for all who believe:

"I do not pray that **You** (the Father) should take them out of the world, but that **You** should keep them from the evil-one. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

Sanctify them through <u>Your</u> Truth. <u>Your Word is Truth</u>. As You have sent **Me** into the world, even so I have also sent them into the world. And <u>for their sakes I sanctify Myself</u> (through <u>His death on the Cross</u>), so that they also might <u>be sanctified in the Truth</u>. Nor do I pray for these alone, but <u>for those also who shall believe on Me through their word</u>; so that they all may be one; as You, Father, <u>are in Me</u>, and <u>I in You</u>, so that <u>they also</u> may be one <u>in Us</u>; so that the world may believe that **You have sent <u>Me</u>**." (John 17:15-21)

Jesus did say, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life: no man comes unto the Father, but through Me." (John 14:6)

"Sanctify yourselves therefore, and be you holy: for I am the LORD (Yahweh) your God. And you shall keep My statutes, and do them: I am the LORD who sanctifies you." (Leviticus 20:7-8)

"Sanctify the Lord God in your hearts; and be ready always to give an answer to every man who asks you a reason of the hope that is in you, but with meekness and fear." (I Peter 3:15)

"The foundation of God stands sure, having this seal: the Lord knows those who are His. And, Let every one who Names the Name of Christ depart from iniquity. 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 honor, and some to dishonor. If a man therefore purges himself from these (iniquities), he shall be a vessel unto honor, sanctified, and useful for the Master's use, and prepared unto every good work. Flee also youthful lusts: instead follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart." (2 Timothy 2:19-22)

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We are Sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for everyone!
We are sanctified in the Name of the Lord Jesus, and in the Spirit of our God!
For by one offering Jesus has perfected forever those who are sanctified!
Sanctification in Christ Jesus begins when a saint is Born-again!
We are Sanctified through God's Truth – His Word – Jesus!

Therefore - Sanctify the Lord God in your hearts !! Sanctify yourselves and be you holy !!

Sing praise unto the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit !!

Always and Always !!

All Praise, and Honor, and Glory, and Majesty, and Dominion – is Yours ...
... JESUS !! - Now and Forever !!!