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PART I -- SANCTIFICATION

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001 -- SANCTIFICATION

I. Christ and Sanctification:

1. Christ died for the sanctification of His Church (Eph. 5:25-27).
2. He suffered to sanctify us (Heb. 10:10-14).
3. He prayed for our sanctification (John 17:17).
4. He takes away the sin hindering sanctification (John 1:29).
5. He is not ashamed of the sanctified (Heb. 2:9-13).

II. The Necessity of Sanctification Seen in Sin in Believers:

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2. Called the "old man" (Eph. 4:17-24).
3. Sin in unsanctified to be put off (Col. 3:5-8).
4. Provision made for inbred sin to be removed (I John 2:1, 2).
5. Necessity of having carnality eradicated (Rom. 8:6, 7).
6. Double hearted condition of unsanctified (Gal. 5:17).

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1. The will of God (I Thess. 4:3).
2. For the Church (I Cor. 1 : 2).
3. "Through the Word (John 17:17; Acts 20:32).
4. Fits for service (II Tim. 2: 21).

IV. The Purpose of Sanctification (I Thess. 5: 23).

V. Incentives to Sanctification (Heb. 12:1-3).

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002 -- GOD'S WILL OUR SANCTIFICATION

I. The Meaning of Sanctification:

1. To set apart for a holy use (Lev. 27:14, 16).
2. To cleanse completely, to make holy (Ex. 19:22; I Thess. 4:3,7; Heb. 9:13, 14)

II. The Possibility of Sanctification:

1. God wills it (I Thess. 4:3).
2. God commands it (I Peter 1:15, 16).
3. God has chosen it (Eph. 1:4; 1 Thess. 4:7).
4. God calls us to it (I Thess. 4:7).
5. God's purpose for us (Luke 1:74, 75).
6. The purpose of Christ's death (Heb. 13:12).
7. We are to pray for it (I Thess. 5: 23).
8. Jesus prayed that we might be sanctified (John 17:17).

III. How We Are Sanctified:

1. By God (I Thess. 5:23).
2. By Christ (Eph. 5:25, 26).
3. By the Holy Spirit (Rom. 15:16).
4. By the blood of Christ (Heb. 13:12).
5. We must consecrate to God (Rom. 6:19; 12:1, 2).
6. We must walk in the light (I John 1:7).
7. We must confess (I John 1:8).
8. We must believe (Acts 26: 18).

IV. Who Can Be Sanctified:

1. Not those of the world (John 14:15-17).
2. Sanctification for the Church (Eph. 5:25, 26).
3. Converted people who are yet carnal are candidates (I Cor. 3:1-3).

V. Sanctification a Definite Experience (not gradual):

1. Comes as a result of the definite baptism of the Holy Spirit (Rom. 15:16, with Acts 8:17).

VI. Results of Sanctification:

1. Cleansing of the soul from sin (Rom. 6:6; Col. 2:11).

2. Complete salvation from inbred sin (II Thess. 2:13).
3. Unity with Christ (Heb. 2:11).
4. Christian perfection (Heb. 10:14).
5. Blamelessness before the Lord (Eph. 1:4).
6. Preparation to be presented to Christ at His coming (Eph. 5:25-27).

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003 -- NECESSITY OF SANCTIFICATION -- INHERITED SIN

I. Man Born with Inherited Sin:

1. At birth man is unclean in God's sight (Job 14:1; 25:4).
2. Man conceived and shapen in iniquity (Psalm 51:5).
3. Man possesses an inward bent to evil (Psalm 58:3).
4. By nature man is sinful (Eph. 2:3)
5. Man's imaginations are evil from his youth (Gen. 8:21).
6. Humanity sinful by birth (Rom. 5:12, 19).

II. Sin Located Throughout Man's Being:

1. In the heart (Prov. 4:23; Mark 7:21-23).
2. In his members (Rom. 7:23).

III. This the Source of Actual Sins (Mark 7:21-23; Luke. 6:45):

IV. Justified Believers Possess this Nature:

1. Disciples before Pentecost Were justified, pardoned (Luke 7:27-50).
2. They believed on Him (John 6:69):
3. They were not of this world (John 17:6-10).
4. They were in Christ (John 15:4, 5).
5. Yet they were carnal:
 - (1) In self-seeking (Mark 9:33, 34).
 - (2) Through envy and anger (Matt. 20:24).
 - (3) By resentment (Luke 9:51-56).
 - (4) Through strife (Luke 22:24).

V. Sanctification Removes Inherited Sin:

1. Through the Holy Spirit (Rom. 15:16).
2. It cleanses by Christ's blood from all sin (Heb. 13:12; I John 1:7).

VI. Sanctification is Not Regeneration, But is Subsequent to Regeneration (John 15:2; I Thess. 4:1-3; John 17:17, 20).

VII. Sanctification is Obtainable Now (Rom. 6:22; Matt. 5:8).

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004 -- SANCTIFICATION SUBSEQUENT TO REGENERATION

Sanctification is received subsequent to regeneration because:

I. Disciples Justified Before Pentecost:

1. They were born of God (John 1:11-13).
2. They had forsaken all to follow Jesus (Matt. 19:27).
3. They were regenerated (Matt. 9:6).
4. Their names were written in heaven (Luke 10:20).
5. They had peace through Jesus (John 14:27).
6. They were not sanctified (John 17:17).

II. They Were Sanctified at Pentecost:

1. When the Spirit came (Acts 1:12-24; 2:1-4).
2. They were made holy (Eph. 5:25-27).
3. They were united in Christ (Heb. 2:11).

III. The Samaritans:

1. Were converted under Philip (Acts 8:5-12).
2. Were sanctified afterward under the preaching of Peter and John (Acts 8:14-17).

IV. The Apostle Paul:

1. Was converted (Acts 9:1-16; 26:13-18).
2. Was subsequently sanctified (Acts 9:17, 18).

V. The House of Cornelius:

1. Was justified (Acts 10:1-6, 31-39).
2. Was subsequently sanctified (Acts 10:44-47).

VI. The Ephesians:

1. Were disciples (Acts 19:1).
2. Were believers (Acts 19:2).
3. Were subsequently sanctified (Acts 19:1-6).

VII. The Romans:

1. Were called saints (Rom. 1:6, 7).
2. Were not established (Rom. 1:11).
3. Paul preached this grace to them (Rom. 5:1-5).
4. He also exhorted them to go on to perfection (Rom. 12:1, 2; 16:25-27).

VIII. The Corinthians:

1. Were in Christ (I Cor. 1:30).
2. Were yet carnal (I Cor. 3:1-3).
3. Paul preached Christian perfection to them (II Cor. 7:1; 13:9, 11).

IX. The Thessalonians:

1. Were in Christ (I Thess. 1 : 1-9).
2. Yet they were not sanctified (I Thess. 4:3; 5:21-24).

X. The Hebrews:

1. Were babes in Christ (Heb. 5:12, 13).
2. Were exhorted to go on to sanctification or holiness. (Heb. 6:1, 2).

XI. Hence Justification and Sanctification are Two Distinct Works of Grace:

1. Justification:
 - (1) The experience (I John 1:19).
 - (2) The life (I John 2:29).
2. Sanctification:
 - (1) The experience (Matt. 5:8).
 - (2) The life (Titus 2:11-14).

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005 -- CONTRASTS BEFORE AND AFTER SANCTIFICATION

Before Sanctification one is as the ten Spies, and after he is as Caleb and Joshua:

1. Before: "We are not able to go up" (Num. 13:31).
After: "For we are well able" (Num. 13:30).
2. Before: "They are stronger than we" (Num. 13:31).
After: "Their defense is departed from them" (Num. 14:9).
3. Before: "Brought up an evil report" (Num. 13:32).
After: "It is an exceeding good land" (Num. 14:7).
4. Before: "A land that eateth up the inhabitants thereof" (Num. 13:32).
After: "They are bread for us" (Num. 14:9).
5. Before: "And we were in our own sight as grasshoppers" (Num. 13:33).
After: "And the Lord is with us. Fear them not" (Num. 14:9).

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006 -- THE EXPERIENCE OF SANCTIFICATION

I. Sanctification Is:

1. A Bible doctrine (Acts 20:32; Heb. 10:10).
2. Obtainable in this life (I Cor. 1:2; Heb. 13:12; Jude 1).
3. For all who have been pardoned of their sins (John 17:17, 20; I Thess. 4:1-3).
4. A second definite work: For the disciples were (1) born of God (John 1:11-13), and were (2) definitely sanctified afterwards (Acts 2:1-4).

II. The Nature of Sanctification:

1. Cleanses from all sin (John 1:29; Heb. 10:10, 14, 22; 1 John 1 : 7-9).
2. Makes the believer pure (Acts 15:8, 9; 1 John 3:3).
3. Perfects the saints:
 - (1) In love (I John 4:17, 18).
 - (2) In holiness (II Cor. 7:1).
 - (3) In good works (Heb. 13:21).
 - (4) In unity (Heb. 2:11; Acts 4:31, 32).
4. Prepares the heart and life to serve God acceptably (II Tim. 2:20, 21).

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007 -- SANCTIFICATION A SECOND WORK OF DIVINE GRACE

Let us note the experience of the apostles, which proves that sanctification is a second work of divine grace:

I. They Were Converted:

1. They met the tests of discipleship (Luke 14:33; Matt. 19:24).
2. The effects of their faith (Acts 10:44-48).
3. They were born of God (John 1:11-13).
4. They were ordained to the Christian ministry by Christ himself (John 15:16; Mark 3:14, 15).
5. Jesus sent them out to preach (hence they could not have been sinners) (Matt. 10:5-8; Mark 6:7-13).
6. Peter backslid (Matt. 26:69-75).
7. Peter repented (Luke 22:61, 62).
8. Was reclaimed and confessed Jesus (John 21:15-17).

II. The Disciples Not Sanctified at This Time:

1. They had not received the Holy Spirit (John 7:37-39).
2. Jesus promised to send the Spirit to them (John 16:7).
3. Jesus prayed for their sanctification (John 17:14-17).
4. Jesus commanded them to tarry until they received the Holy Spirit (Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:4, 5).
5. They did as He commanded (Luke 24:49-53; Acts 1).

III. The Disciples Were Sanctified at Pentecost (Acts 2:1-4).

Hence we conclude that sanctification is distinct from regeneration, and is received as a second work of divine grace, subsequent to the new birth.

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008 -- SEEKING SANCTIFICATION AS A SECOND WORK OF GRACE

I. What the Seeker Must Do:

1. He must be in Christ, regenerated (John 15:1,2; I Thess. 1:3,4).
2. He must have faith in God (Heb. 11:6).
3. He must come to God with the assurance of faith (Heb. 10:19-22).
4. He must believe that God can sanctify (Heb. 7:25; Eph. 3:16,17).

II. How the Seeker Must Consecrate:

1. He must lay aside every sin (Heb. 12:1).
2. He must put off the old man (Eph. 4:22; Col. 3:9).
3. He must suffer to have the old man crucified (die out to sin) (Rom. 6:6).
4. He must abstain from all evil (I Thess. 5:22).
5. He must present himself a living sacrifice (Rom. 12:1,2).
6. He must walk in the light (I John 1:7).

III. How the Seeker Must Ask:

1. In the name of Jesus (John 16:23).
2. For a clean heart (Psalm 51:10).
3. For the Holy Spirit (Luke 11:13).
4. In faith believing (Matt. 21:22).

IV. God's Promises to the Seeker:

1. He shall find (Matt. 7:7).
2. He shall be cleansed from all sin (I John 1:7).
3. God will give him the Holy Spirit (Luke 11:13).
4. He shall be made holy (Heb. 13:20, 21; 10:14, 15).
5. He shall be sanctified wholly by the God of peace (I Thess. 5:21-24)

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009 -- SANCTIFICATION PROVED BY TWOFOLD CLEANSING

I. The Necessity of a Double Cleansing:

1. Sin inherited (Rom. 5:12-19).
2. Sins committed (Isa. 1:18; Psalm 51:3).

II. Double Cleansing and Sin:

1. First cleansing blots out committed sins (Rev. 1:5).
2. Second cleansing purifies inbred sin (1 John 1:7, 8).

III. Bible Terms for the Double Cleansing:

1. First cleansing is called justification (Luke 18:13, 14; Rom. 4:5).
2. Second cleansing is termed sanctification (I Thess. 4:3),

IV. The Applications of the Double Cleansing:

1. First cleansing is for sinners (Jas. 4:8; Rom. 4:5).
2. Second cleansing is for believers (John 17:17-20 15:2)

V. Some Scriptures Teaching the Double Cleansing:

Psalms 51:7; Isa. 6:5-8; John 15:1, 2; Titus 3:5; Jas. 4:8

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010 -- SANCTIFICATION UNDER THE TWO DISPENSATIONS

I. Under the Old Dispensation -- Setting Apart:

1. The tabernacle was sanctified (Ex. 40:9).
2. The mountains were sanctified (Ex. 19:23),
3. All first born were set apart for a sacred use (Ex. 13:2).
4. All Israel were sanctified (Ex. 19:10, 11).
5. This setting apart, or sanctification was by man (Ex. 30:25-29; Ex. 19:22).

II. Under the New Dispensation -- Purging, Cleansing, Purifying :

1. Human beings alone can receive it (Luke 11:13).
2. It is performed by the Holy Spirit (Rom. 15:16; Acts 2:1-18).
3. It is a purging process through the blood of Jesus (Heb. 13:12; I Thess. 4:3).

4. It is God's will for the Spirit to sanctify (I Thess. 4:3).
5. Christ died that we might be cleansed (Heb. 10:10; Eph. 5:26, 27).

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011 -- WHAT SANCTIFICATION IS

We preach sanctification because it is:

1. God's Will (I Thess. 4:3).
2. God's Choice (II Thess. 2:13; Eph. 1:4).
3. God's Call (I Peter 1:14-16).
4. God's Command (I Peter 1:16).
5. God's Purpose (I Thess. 3:13).
6. God's Provision (Heb. 10:14, 15).
7. God's Decree (Heb. 12:14).

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012 -- PRACTICAL RESULTS OF SANCTIFICATION

I. Moral Cleanliness

"That ye abstain from fornication" (I Thess. 4: 3).

II. Self-Control

"Know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honor" (I Thess. 4:4).

III. Respect for the Rights of Others

"That no man go beyond and defraud his brother" (I Thess. 4:6).

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013 -- THE NEED AND NATURE OF SANCTIFICATION

I. The Need of Sanctification:

1. To retain one's conversion (I John 1:7-9).
2. To have fellowship with God (Rom. 8:8).
3. Because God willed it (I Thess. 4:3).
4. Because Christ died for it (Heb. 13:12).
5. Without it one cannot see God (Heb. 12:14).

II. What Sanctification is Not:

1. It is not fanaticism (Lev. 19:1, 2).
2. It is not repression (Rom. 6:6).

III. What Sanctification is:

1. An act of divine grace (Jude 1).
2. A dedication of self to God (Rom. 12:1, 2).
3. A separation from the world (II Cor. 6:14-18).
4. Divine cleansing for the soul (I John 1:7).

IV. What Sanctification Does:

1. It establishes the heart (Rom. 5:2; I Thess. 3:13).
2. It unites God's people (John 17:21).
3. It prepares for service (2 Tim. 2:21).

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014 -- SANCTIFICATION AND THE SAINTS

Sanctification affords the saints their greatest blessings:

1. The saints are sanctified (II Thess. 2:13; I Peter 1:1, 2).
2. Our inheritance is among the sanctified (Acts 20:32).
3. The Church is made glorious in sanctification (Eph. 5:25-27).
4. The saints are fitted for service through sanctification (II Tim. 2:21).
5. Sanctification is necessary in order for the saints to receive their inheritance (I Cor. 6: 9-11).
6. The fruit of sanctification is eternal life (Rom. 6:22).

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015 -- SANCTIFICATION AND THE MIND OF CHRIST

Sanctification causes one to seek to have the mind of Christ perfected (Phil. 2: 5) Note the characteristics:

1. Sanctification -- a gentle mind (Luke 22:26).
2. Sanctification -- a patient mind (Luke 22:25).
3. Sanctification -- a humble mind (Luke 22:27).
4. Sanctification -- a God-willed mind (John 5:30).
5. Sanctification -- a self-emptied mind (John 8: 28).
6. Sanctification -- a serving mind (Mark 10:45).
7. Sanctification -- a gracious mind (Luke 22: 28).
8. Sanctification -- a faithful mind (Luke 22:44).

9. Sanctification -- a prayerful mind (Luke 22:32).
10. Sanctification -- a trustful mind (Luke 22:32).
11. Sanctification -- an obedient mind (Luke 22:27).

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016 -- SANCTIFICATION AND DIVINE ASSURANCE

Sanctification gives the assurance of

1. Our redemption (Job 19:25).
2. Our adoption (I John 3 : 2).
3. Eternal life (I John 5:13).
4. Our union with God and Christ (I John 4:13).
5. Our peace with God by Christ (Rom. 5:1).
6. The answer of our prayers (I John 3: 22).
7. Our continuance in grace (Phil. 1:6).
8. Our glorious resurrection (Phil. 3:21).
9. Our support in death (Psalm 23:4).
10. A kingdom eternal (Rev. 5:10).
11. A crown everlasting (II Tim. 4:7, 8).

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017 -- BIBLE TERMS FOR SANCTIFICATION

The Bible calls entire sanctification by the following names:

1. Holiness -- "the way of holiness" (Isa. 35:8).
2. Purity -- "purify unto Himself" (Titus 2:14).
3. Sanctification -- "even your sanctification" (I Thess. 4:3).
4. Perfection of the heart -- "a perfect heart" (I Chron. 28:9; I Tim. 1:5).
5. Perfect love -- "love made perfect" (I John 4:12, 17, 18).
6. The fullness of the blessing (Rom. 15:29; Eph. 3:19).
7. Fullness of joy (Psalm 16:11; II John 12).
8. Fullness of faith -- "full of faith" (Acts 6:5, 8).
9. Filled with the Spirit (Eph. 5:18).
10. Full assurance (Col. 2:2).
11. The fruits of righteousness (Phil. 1:11).
12. Baptism with the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:5; 2:1-4).

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018 -- HOW SANCTIFICATION IS WROUGHT

I. How it is Not Wrought:

1. Not by death (I Cor. 15:25, 26; Heb. 13:12).
2. Not by works (Acts 15:8, 9).
3. Not by, nor identical with the new birth (I Cor. 3:1-3; with II Cor. 7:1; Gal. 5:17).

II. How it is Wrought:

1. The purchase of the blood of Jesus (Heb. 13:12).
2. Based upon an act of complete surrender or consecration to God (Rom. 12 : 1, 2 ; I Thess. 4:3).
3. Appropriated by faith (Acts 15:8, 9; 26:18).
4. By the baptism of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:1-4).

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019 -- SEVEN THINGS MADE POSSIBLE ONLY BY SANCTIFICATION

1. Only by sanctification is the heart purified (John 1:29; I John 1:7-9).
2. Only through sanctification is the heart cleansed from all sin (Acts 15:8, 9; Mal. 3:1-3, with I John 1:7,9)
3. Only through sanctification is the heart made perfect in divine love (I John 4:17, 18).
4. Only through sanctification is the heart made perfect in holiness (II Cor. 7:1).
5. Only through sanctification is it possible to be made perfect in every good work (Heb. 13:21).
6. Only through sanctification is one fully prepared to serve God (II Tim. 2: 20, 21).
7. Only through sanctification is one prepared to enter heaven (Heb. 12:14; Rev. 22:11, 12).

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020 -- GOD'S ETERNAL PURPOSE -- OUR SANCTIFICATION

I. Sanctification God's Purpose Before the Foundation of the World (Eph. 1:4).

II. Sanctification God's Purpose for the Old Testament:

1. God commanded it of that age (Gen. 17:1; Ex. 22:31).
2. God promised it to that age (Ezek. 36:25; Isa. 1:18).
3. Old Testament men prayed to be made holy (Psalm 51:2; Hosea 14:2; Isa. 6:5).

III. Sanctification God's Purpose for the Present Age:

1. God commands us to be sanctified (I Peter 1:15, 16; Matt. 5:8; Jas. 1:4).
2. God has promised to sanctify us (I John 1:7-9; Acts 2:38, 39).
3. New Testament men have prayed that we might be sanctified (I Thess. 5:23; John 17:17).

IV. Sanctification God's Purpose for all Dwellers in the Heavenly City (Heb. 12:14; Rev. 22:11, 12).

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021 -- THE ATTAINABILITY OF ENTIRE SANCTIFICATION

I. It is Expressly Commanded:

1. Be perfect (Gen. 17: 1; Matt. 5: 48).

II. It is Frequently Exhorted:

1. Present your bodies (Rom. 12: 1).
2. Perfecting holiness (2 Cor. 7: 1).

III. It is the Subject of Explicit Promise:

1. Sins as white as snow (Isa. 1: 18).
2. Promise to cleanse from filthiness (Ezek. 36: 25).
3. Will cleanse from unrighteousness (I John 1: 9).

IV. It is the Object of Special Prayer:

1. David--"create within me a clean heart" (Psa. 51: 10).
2. Jesus "Sanctify them" (John 17: 17).
3. Paul "Very God of peace sanctify you" (1 Thess. 5: 23).

V. It is Confirmed by Personal Examples:

1. Noah walked with God (Gen. 6: 9).
2. Job was perfect (Job 1: 1).
3. Zacharias and Elizabeth were blameless (Luke 1: 6).
4. Paul classed himself among the perfect (Phil. 3: 15).

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PART II -- HOLINESS

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022 -- HOLINESS

I. Holiness Is:

1. A possible experience (Psalm 68:3; 51:2).
2. A way of life (Isa. 35:8).
3. The will of God (I Thess. 4:3).

II. Holiness and --

1. Holiness and service (Luke 1:74, 75).
2. Holiness and a vision of God (Matt. 5:8).
3. Holiness and wisdom (Jas. 3:17).

III. The Purpose of Holiness (Phil. 2:15).

IV. The Necessity of Holiness:

1. Necessity of a holy heart (Matt. 5:17-30).
2. Necessary to fit us for heaven (Rev. 7:14).

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023 -- HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD

I. God's Sanctified Children Are Holy in:

1. Body (Rom. 12:1).
2. Prayer (I Tim. 2:8).
3. Citizenship (I Peter 2:9).
4. Heart (I Thess. 3:13).

II. The Blessings of Holiness Are:

1. A Holy Bible to study (Rom. 1:2).
2. Holy identification with Christ (Eph. 1:4).
3. A holy keeping (John 17:11).

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024 -- THE RAINBOW OF HOLINESS

God's seven colored rainbow of blessing through holiness consists of:

1. Divine strength in time of weakness (Isa. 41:10).
2. Holy power for service (Acts 1:4-8).
3. Glorious cheer in times of gloom (Matt. 14:27).
4. God's guidance in times of perplexity (Psalm 32:8).
5. Spiritual help in hours of need (Heb. 13:5, 6).
6. Unsearchable peace when troubles roll (Isa. 66:12).

7. Abundant joy in sorrow (Isa. 61:3).

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025 -- THE SECRET OF HOLY REST

Holy rest can be found by:

1. Casting yourself upon God (II Tim. 1:12).
2. Committing the keeping of your soul to Him (I Peter 4:19).
3. Giving your spirit to God (Psalm 31:5).
4. Committing your way to God (Psalm 37:5).
5. Leaving your labors to the Lord (Prov. 16:3).
6. Letting the Lord bear your burdens (Psalm 60:12).
7. Casting your cares upon the Lord (I Peter 5:7).

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026 -- GOD'S POWER AND HOLINESS

God is able:

1. Save to the uttermost -- hence to sanctify (Heb. 7:25).
2. Make all grace abound -- hence His grace is sufficient to cleanse (II Cor. 9:8).
3. Aid the tempted -- hence He is able to keep us holy in times of temptation (Heb. 2:18).
4. Make us stand -- hence He is able to establish us unblamable in holiness (Rom. 14:4).
5. Subdue all things -- hence to eradicate sin (Phil. 3:21).
6. Keep us from falling -- hence He can keep the sanctified at all times (Jude 24).
7. Keep that which we have committed unto Him -- hence to keep us under His cleansing blood (II Tim. 1:12).
8. Perform what He has promised -- hence to baptize us with the Holy Spirit as promised (Rom. 4: 21).
9. Do abundantly above all we ask or think -- hence to make us holy, keep us holy, and present us unto Himself holy (Eph. 3:20).

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027 -- HOLINESS -- GOD'S WAY FOR MAN

I. Holiness is:

1. Commanded (Lev. 11:45; Rom. 12:1; Eph. 4:12, 13).
2. God's only standard (Lev. 19:2, with I Peter 1:15, 16).
3. The gospel way (Isa. 35:8).
4. Necessary for God's worship (Psalm 24:3, 4).
5. Necessary to see God (Eph. 5:5; Heb. 12:14).

II. Christ and Holiness:

1. Christ desires holiness of His people (John 17:17).
2. He effects holiness in His people (Eph. 5:25-27).
3. Is an example of our holiness (Heb. 7:26).

III. God's Children Are:

1. Elected to holiness (Eph. 1:4).
2. Created anew in holiness (Eph. 4:24).
3. Have their fruits in holiness (Rom. 6:22).
4. Should follow after holiness (Heb. 12:14).
5. Should serve God in holiness (Luke 1:74, 75).
6. Should yield their members as instruments of holiness (Rom. 6:13, 19).
7. Should have their conversation in holiness (I Peter 1:15).
8. Should continue in holiness (Luke 1:75).
9. Shall forever abide in holiness (Rev. 22:11).

IV. Motives to Seek Holiness, and Be Holy:

1. The glory of God (Phil. 1:11; John 15:8).
2. The love of Christ (II Cor. 5:14, 15).
3. The mercies of God (Rom. 12:1, 2).
4. The dissolution of all things (II Peter 3:11).

V. Examples of Holiness:

1. David (Psalm 86: 2).
2. Israel (Jer. 2:3).
3. John the Baptist (Mark 6:20).
4. The prophets (Luke 1: 70).
5. Paul (I Thess. 2:10).
6. Wives of the patriarchs (I Peter 3:5).

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028 -- HOLINESS AND GODLIKENESS, CHRISTLIKENESS

Holiness makes us Christlike in:

I. Mercy:

1. God is merciful (Psalm 145:8).
2. Holiness makes us merciful (Matt. 5:7).

II. Perfect:

1. God is perfect (Psalm 18:30).
2. The sanctified is to be perfect (Deut. 18:13; I Peter 1:22).

III. Purity

1. God is pure (Job 4:17).
2. Holiness makes us pure (Matt. 5:8).

IV. Righteousness:

1. God is righteous (Psalm 129:4).
2. The saints are righteous (Psalm 34:12,15).

V. Holiness:

1. God is holy (Isa. 6:1.3).
2. His followers are to be holy (Eph, 1:4).

VI. Not of this world:

1. Christ is not of this world (John 8:23).
2. The sanctified are not of this world (John 15:19).

VII. Unity:

1. Christ and the Father are one (John 1:1, 2).
2. In Christ His people are united (Gal, 3:28).

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029 -- PUTTING ON CHRIST IN HOLINESS

Holiness is moral parity, which consists in "putting off the old man and "putting on Christ,"

I. To Be Holy We Must Put Off:

1. All sin (Col. 3:8; I Peter 2:1, 2).
2. The works of darkness (Rom. 13:12,13).
3. Conformity to the world (Rom. 12:2).
4. The works of the flesh (Gal. 5:19.21).
5. The besetting sin (Heb. 12:1).
6. The old man (Col. 3:9; Eph. 4:22).
7. All ungodliness (Eph. 4:25-28).

II. Be Sanctified We Put On:

1. The new man (Eph. 4:24; Col. 3:10,11).
2. The whole armor of God (Eph. 6:11,17).
3. Spiritual strength (Isa. 51:9,11).
4. Humility (Col. 3:12).

III. Being Holy in Christ We are:

1. New Creatures (II Cor. 5:17).
2. We live a righteous life (I John 3:6).
3. Have the witness of the Spirit (Gal. 4:6).
4. Have no condemnation (Rom. 8:1).

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030 -- HOLINESS AND LIVING WITHOUT SIN

I. To Become Holy Settles the Sin Question:

1. Holiness was prophesied of (Isa. 19:20; Dan. 9:24,25; Zech. 13:1).
2. It has been wrought in this dispensation (Heb. 9:26; Matt. 1:21; I John 3:5; John 1:29).

II. Perfect Deliverance from Sin Through Holiness:

1. We must forsake all sin (Isa. 55:7).
2. We must depart from all sin (II Tim. 2:19).
3. We must cease to sin (Isa. 1:16-18).

III. God's Holy People Kept from All Sin: Rom. 6:1,2; I John 3:9; Titus 2:11,12.

IV. Bible Teaches of a Life Free from Sin:

1. Jesus taught it (John 5:14; 8:11).
2. Paul affirmed it (I Cor. 15:34).
3. Peter declared it (I Peter 2:21, 22).
4. John avowed that it was possible (I John 2:1; 3:9),

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031 -- HOLINESS -- REDEMPTION COMPLETE

I. Holiness is Accompanied By:

1. Freedom from all sin (John 8:36).
2. A holy life (I Thess. 2:10; Gal. 2:20).

3. Power to become the sons of God (John 1:11-13).
4. Power over the enemy (Luke 10:19).
5. Spiritual joy unspeakable (I Peter 1:8, 9).
6. Peace with God (John 14:27; Rom. 5:1).

II. Holiness, Redemption Complete, is:

1. Entire sanctification of the soul (I Thess. 4:3, 4).
2. Purification of the heart (I John 3:3).
3. Cleansing from inbred sin (Heb. 12:1).
4. The baptism with the Holy Spirit (Acts 15:8, 9).
5. Fellowship in the Spirit (Phil. 2:1).
6. Fellowship with all the saints (I John 1:3-7).
7. Divine love (I John 4:17).

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032 -- HOLINESS AND THE DIVINE PROMISES

I. God's Promises Are:

1. Sure, unchanging (I Thess. 5:23, 24).
2. Conditional (Deut. 11:26-28).

II. The Promise to Sanctify:

1. The Promise (I Thess. 5:23, 24).
2. The condition (I Thess. 5:22, 23; Rom. 12:1, 2).

III. The Promise of the Spirit:

1. The promise (Gal. 3:14; Acts 1:4, 5).
2. The condition (Acts 2:38, 39).

IV. Promise to Keep Us from Sin, Holy:

1. The promise (II Thess. 3:3).
2. The condition (Isa. 26:3).

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033 -- THE PURITY OF HOLINESS

I. The Moral Purity of Holiness Based Upon the Fact:

1. That God's salvation is pure (Rev. 19:7, 8; Isa. 1:18).

2. That pure religion is a possibility (Jas. 1:27).

II. The Purity of Holiness Consists of:

1. Pure souls (I Peter 1:22).
2. Pure hearts (Matt. 5:8; I Tim. 1:5).
3. Pure minds (II Peter 3:1; I Cor. 2:16).
4. Pure consciences (II Tim. 1:3).
5. Pure language (Zeph. 3:9).
6. Pure thoughts (Phil. 4:8).

III. The Standard of this Purity -- Christ: I John 3:2, 3.

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034 -- HOLINESS -- GOD'S HIGHEST STANDARD

I. In Holiness We Are Dead with Christ to Sin:

1. The flesh must be crucified (Gal. 5:24).
2. The old man of sin is crucified (Rom. 6:6).
3. The members of the body are magnified. (Col. 3:5).
4. Self is crucified (Gal. 2: 20).
5. We reckon ourselves as dead (Rom 6:11)

II. In Holiness We Are Raised with Christ to New Life:

1. We are quickened with Christ (Col. 2:13).
2. We are raised with Christ (Eph. 2:6).
3. We seek those things which are above (Col. 3:1-3).
4. We walk in newness of divine life (Rom. 6:4).
5. We reckon ourselves alive unto God (Rom. 6:11).

III. To Attain Holiness a Twofold Experience is Necessary:

1. Putting off the old (Col. 3:8, 9; Eph. 4:22).
2. Putting on the new (Eph. 4:24; Col. 3:12-14).

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035 -- THE POSSIBILITIES OF HOLINESS

I. In Holiness We Overcome Temptation:

1. Resist the devil (Jas. 4:7).
2. Able to bear temptation (I Cor. 10:13).

3. Free from the dominion of sin (Rom. 6:14).

II. In Holiness We Glorify God:

1. Able to do all to God's glory (I Cor. 10:31).
2. He causes us to triumph (II Cor. 2:14, 15).
3. Able to walk worthy of God (Col. 1:10).

III. In Holiness We Have Grace and Fruits of the Spirit:

1. Filled with the fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22, 23).
2. Walk in the Spirit (Gal. 5:25).
3. Walk in the light and have divine fellowship (I John 1:7).

IV. In Holiness We are Pleasing God:

1. We are constantly cleansed (I John 1: 7).
2. Blameless before God (Phil. 2:15).
3. Blameless until the coming of Christ (I Thess. 5: 23).

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036 -- HOLINESS AND COMPLETE CONSECRATION

Holiness is maintained only through complete consecration, which implies:

1. Complete submission of self to God (Jas. 4:7).
2. Complete presenting of self to God (Rom. 12:1, 2).
3. Complete yielding of self to God (Rom. 6:13).

The order then is: Submit to His will -- present yourself as His servant -- yield yourself to him as a sacrifice.

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037 -- HOLINESS OF LIFE

I. The Pattern of Holiness Is Christ (Acts 4:27).

II. The Standard of Holiness Is the Bible (II Peter 2:21; Col. 1:22).

III. The Blood Is the Price of Holiness (Eph. 1:4; 4:24; 5:27; I John 1:7-9).

IV. The Maintenance of Holiness (I Tim. 4:12; II Tim. 2:21).

V. The Nature of Holiness is Personal (I Peter 1:15; II Peter 3:11).

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038 -- THE BLAMELESSNESS OF HOLINESS

In holiness we are blameless:

1. In heart (I Thess. 3:13).
2. In life (I Thess. 2:10).
3. In testimony (Phil. 2:15).
4. In service (Luke 1:6).
5. In the entire being (I Thess. 5:23).

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039 -- BIBLE HOLINESS

The Bible:

1. Commands us to be holy (I Peter 1:16).
2. Sets the standard of holiness for us (Isa. 10, 12).
3. Tells of holy men in the past (II Peter 1:21).
4. Sets the object of being holy (Rev. 22:14).

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040 -- THE ELEMENTS OF HOLINESS

I. The Negative Elements of Holiness

1. Eradication of sin (Heb. 12:1).
2. Kept from backsliding (Heb.
3. Root of bitterness taken out (Heb. 12:15).
4. Saved from all worldliness (Heb. 12:16)

II. The Positive Elements of Holiness:

1. Victory over sin (Heb. 12:1, 2, 3).
2. Grace for suffering and sacrifice (Heb. 12:3, 4).
3. Heavenly blessings (Heb. 12:22-24).
4. An eternal kingdom (Heb. 12:25-29).

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041 -- WHAT HOLINESS IS

Holiness Is:

1. A doctrine of the Bible -- belief (2 Tim. 3:16, 17).
2. A command of God -- follow (Lev. 11:44; I Peter 1:15, 16).
3. A life -- lived (Titus 2:11-14; Rev. 22:14).
4. A fact -- accepted (Heb. 11:1-6).
5. An experience -- received (Acts 19:2).
6. Man's privilege -- accepted (Isa. 55:1).

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042 -- HOLINESS AND GOD'S COMMANDMENTS

I. God's Commandments Are:

1. Pure (Psalm 19:8).
2. Not grievous (I John 5:3).

II. Keeping His Commandments Proves We are Holy (I John 5:2).

III. Not Keeping His Commandments Cannot Be Holy (John 8:47; I John 2:4).

IV. We Are Commanded:

1. To love our enemies (Matt. 5:43, 44).
2. Live a holy life (I Peter 1:14-16).
3. Be perfect in our walk before God (Gen. 17:1).
4. Live righteously (Titus 2:11, 12).
5. Live without sin (John 5:14; I John 2:1).
6. Follow holiness (II Tim. 2:22).

V. Result of Keeping God's Commandments and Being Holy (Rev. 22:14).

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043 -- WALKING WITH GOD IN THE BEAUTY OF HOLINESS

I. To Walk With God in Holiness We Must Be:

1. Perfect (Gen. 17:1).
2. Upright (Psalm 84:11).

II. To Walk with God in Holiness We Must:

1. Forsake all sin (Luke 14:33).
2. Abstain from all evil (I Thess. 5:22).

3. Have a holy conversation (I Peter 1:15).
4. Walk not as sinners (Eph. 4:17).
5. Walk in holiness (Isa. 35:8-10).

III. Walking with God in Holiness, We Have All Good Things (Psalm 84:11).

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044 -- TWENTY REASONS WHY WE SHOULD BE HOLY

1. We are to be God-like -- holy (I Peter 1:16).
2. God requires us to be holy (Lev. 20:7).
3. He calls His people a holy priesthood (I Peter 2:5).
4. He has chosen us to be holy (Eph. 1:4).
5. Christ died that we might be holy (Eph. 5:25-27).
6. The Spirit was given to make us holy (II Thess. 2:13).
7. We are to put on the new man in holiness (Eph. 4:24).
8. God calls us to be holy (I Thess. 4:7).
9. God establishes the heart in holiness (I Thess. 3:13).
10. We are to serve God in holiness (Luke 1:75).
11. The fruits of our lives are to be holy (Rom. 6:22).
12. We are to offer our bodies unto God, holy (Rom. 12:1).
13. We are to follow after holiness (Heb. 12:14).
14. We are to be presented holy unto Christ (Col. 1:22).
15. Our hearts are to be perfect (I Kings 8:61; II Kings 20:3).
16. Our love is to be perfect (I John 4:12, 17, 18).
17. We are to pray to be perfect (Heb. 13:21).
18. We are to be perfect in Christ (Col. 1:28).
19. The Bible is given to make us perfect (II Tim. 3:16, 17).
20. Men have been perfect:
 - (1) Noah (Gen. 6:9).
 - (2) Job (Job 1:1).

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045 -- RULES FOR A HOLY LIFE

1. Love harmony (I Thess. 5:12, 13).
2. Be patient (I Thess. 5:14).
3. Be joyful (I Thess. 5:16).
4. Be careful of spirit (I Thess. 5:19).
5. Be prayerful (I Thess. 5:17).
6. Hold to the good (I Thess. 5: 21).
7. Avoid the appearance of evil (I Thess. 5:22).
8. Be blameless (I Thess. 5: 23).
9. Deny yourself (Luke 9:23).

10. Love the brethren (I John 3:14).
11. Give preference to others (Rom. 12:10).
12. Seek to please the Lord (Heb. 13:21).

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046 -- DAILY GUIDES FOR HOLY LIVING

1. Believe daily (John 3:16).
2. Know daily (I John 3:14).
3. Remember daily (I Cor. 10:13).
4. Live holy daily (Gal. 2:20).
5. Practice daily (Rom. 6:13).
6. Heed daily (Phil. 4:8)
7. Pray daily (Eph. 3:17, 18)
8. Teach daily (II Tim. 1:13).
9. Study daily (II Tim. 2:15)

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047 -- PARTAKERS OF CHRIST'S HOLINESS

Through holiness we become partakers of

1. The flesh and blood of Christ (Heb. 2:14; 8:1).
2. Christ's heavenly existence (Heb. 3:14).
3. The Holy Spirit coming from Christ (Heb. 6:4).
4. The chastisement of Christ (Heb. 12:8).
5. The holiness of Christ (Heb. 12:10).
6. Christ's suffering (I Peter 4:13).
7. The glory of Christ (I Peter 5:1).
8. Christ's divine nature (II Peter 1:4).
9. Christ's divine consolation (II Cor. 1:7).
10. The inheritance of the saints through Christ (Col. 1:12).

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048 -- SEVEN WAYS TO GROW IN GRACE AFTER SANCTIFICATION

1. By reading the Bible (Acts 20:32; I Peter 2:2).
2. By praying (Luke 18:1).
3. Through Christian service (Matt. 25:14-29).
4. By testifying (Rom. 10:9, 10).
5. Through attending church services (Heb. 10:24, 25).
6. Through the work of the ministry (Eph. 4:11, 12).
7. By laying aside the weights (Heb. 12:1, 2).

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049 -- THE NECESSITY OF THE SEPARATED LIFE

I. God Commands Us to Be Separate:

1. Come out and be separate (II Cor. 6:14-18).
2. Live soberly, righteously in the world (Titus 2:11-15).
3. Abstain from all evil (I Thess. 5:22).

II. Necessary for the Spiritual Life:

1. Cannot love God and the world (I John 2:15).
2. Cannot serve God and the world (Matt. 6:24; Rom. 6:16).
3. Impossible to be the temple of God and of the world (I Cor. 3:16, 17).

III. Necessary for Others:

1. That we may not cause them to perish (I Cor. 8:9-13).
2. That we may win them to Christ (I Peter 2:12).
3. That we may walk rightly before men (I Thess. 4:12).

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050 -- HOLINESS AND MORAL CLEANNES

I. Holiness Makes Us Clean:

1. From all sin (I John 1:7; Jer. 33:8).
2. From all idols (anything that comes between them said God) (Ezek. 36:25).
3. From all filthiness (II Cor. 7:1).

II. Holiness Cleanses Us by Washing:

1. Of the Word of God (Eph 5:26)
2. Of the blood of Jesus (I John 1: 7, 9).

III. Being Cleansed Includes:

1. Clean hands (Jas. 4:8)
2. A clean heart (Psalm 51:10; Matt. 5:8)
3. A clean conscience (I Tim. 3:9)
4. A clean mind (II Peter 3:1; Phil. 4:8)

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051 -- HOLINESS TRIUMPHANT

I. Holiness Shall Triumph By:

1. Reigning with Christ (II Tim. 2:12).
2. Beholding the glory of Christ (John 17:24).

II. Holiness Shall Then Be Rewarded By:

1. The inheritance of all things (Rev. 21:7).
2. A kingdom immovable (Heb. 12:28).
3. A house eternal in the heavens (II Cor. 5:1).
4. A city which hath foundations (Heb. 11:10).

III. Holiness Shall Then Wear:

1. A crown of righteousness (II Tim. 4:8).
2. A crown of glory (I Peter 5:4).
3. A crown of life (Jas. 1:12).
4. An incorruptible crown (I Cor. 9:25).

IV. Holiness Shall Then Inherit:

1. A joint heirship with Christ (Rom. 8:17).
2. Treasures in heaven (Luke 12:33).
3. An eternal weight of glory (II Cor. 4:17).

V. Holiness Shall Then Enter Into:

1. Rest eternal (Heb. 4:9).
2. Fullness of joy (Psalm 16:11).
3. Everlasting life (John 6:40).

VI. Holiness Shall Then Shine:

1. As the stars forever (Dan. 12:3).
2. As everlasting light throughout the ages (Isa. 60:19).

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052 -- BUD ROBINSON'S REASONS FOR PREACHING HOLINESS

Some good people have wondered why we were so dull as to preach Scriptural Holiness. Well, here are just a few of the reasons:

- 1st, Because God the Father is holy (I Pet. 1:15).
- 2nd, Because Christ is holy (Luke 1:35).
- 3rd, Because God's Spirit is a Holy Spirit, and His office work is to make men holy (Rom. 15:16).
- 4th, Because the angels are holy (Matt. 25:31).
- 5th, Because heaven is a holy place (Rev. 21:10).
- 6th, Because the Bible is a holy Book (II Tim. 3:16, 17).
- 7th, Because God's commands are holy (Rom. 7:12).
- 8th, Because God's law is holy (Rom. 7:12).
- 9th, Because God's preachers and bishops are to be holy (Titus 1:7, 8).
- 10th, Because God's prophets are holy (II Pet. 1:21).
- 11th, Because God's apostles were holy (Eph. 3:5).
- 12th, Because the brethren are holy (I Thess. 5:27).
- 13th, Because God's women were holy (I Pet. 3:5).
- 14th, Because it is God's will (I Thess. 4:3).
- 15th, Because God calls us to it (I Thess. 4:7).
- 16th, Because God chose us unto holiness (Eph. 1:4).
- 17th, Because God chastises His people to bring them to holiness (Heb. 12:10).
- 18th, Because Christ died that we might be made holy (Heb. 13:12).
- 19th, Because the Holy Ghost witnesses to it (Heb. 10:14, 15, 16).
- 20th, Because God is not ashamed of us when we have it (Heb. 2:11).
- 21st, Because we can't see God without it (Heb. 12:14).
- 22nd, Because it was promised to us (Luke 24:49).
- 23rd, Because it is our inheritance (Acts 20:31).
- 24th, Because God commanded us to be holy (I Pet. 1:16).
- 25th, Because God said that we were to live holy all the days of our lives, and that doesn't mean the last days of our lives (Luke 1:73, 74).
- 27th, Because God the Father sanctifies us (Jude 1).
- 28th, Because Christ sanctifies us (Eph. 5:25, 26, 27).
- 29th, Because the Holy Ghost sanctifies us (Rom. 15:16).
- 30th, Because it makes God's people one (St. John 17:21).
- 31st, Because it makes God and His people one (Heb. 2:11).
- 32nd, Because the world will believe when they see you sanctified (St. John 17:21).
- 33rd, Because the heathen shall know (Ezek. 36:23).
- 34th, Because St. Paul professed holiness (I Thess. 2:10).
- 35th, Because St. Paul professed Christian perfection (Phil. 3:15).
- 36th, Because Peter and John professed it (Acts 3:12).
- 37th, Because the holy brethren were partakers of the heavenly calling (Heb 3:1).
- 38th, Because the Epistle to the Thessalonians was to be read to all the holy brethren (I Thess. 5: 27).
- 39th, Because the holy are to have part in the first resurrection (Rev. 20: 6).
- 40th, Because Enoch walked with God 300 years and was taken to heaven alive (Gen. 5:22, 23, 24). Do you think he was holy?
- 41st, Because God commanded Abraham to walk before Him and be perfect (Gen. 17:1).
- 42nd, Because we are to walk before God and be perfect (Deut. 18:13).
- 43rd, Because he that is holy is to be holy still (Rev. 22:11).

44th, Because Elijah went to heaven alive. Do you think that he could get in without it? (Rev. 21:27).

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PART III -- THE SANCTIFIED

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053 -- CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SANCTIFIED

The Sanctified Are:

1. Ambassadors for Christ (II Cor. 5:20).
2. Branches in Christ (John 15:5).
3. Citizens of heaven (Eph. 2:19).
4. Disciples of Christ (Luke 14:27).
5. Friends of God (John 15:14).
6. Heirs of God (Rom. 8:17).
7. Jewels of the Lord (Mal. 3:17).
8. Kings and Priests unto God (Rev. 1:6).
9. Lights to shine for Christ (Matt. 5:14, 16).
10. Pilgrims in this strange land (I Peter 2:11).
11. Redeemed of the Lord (I Peter 1:18).
12. Stewards of God (Luke 19:13).
13. Temples of God (I Cor. 3:16).

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054 -- SEVEN PLACES WHERE THE SANCTIFIED ARE NOT FOUND

The sanctified are not in:

1. The contamination of the world -- like Peter (Luke 22:55).
2. In the wilderness of doubt -- like David (Psalm 102:6).
3. In the gloom of vexation -- like Lot (II Peter 2:7, 8).
4. In the darkness of fear -- as David (I Sam. 27:1).
5. In the place of backsliding -- with Jonah (Jonah 1:5).
6. Under the juniper of discouragement -- with Elijah (I Kings 19:4).
7. In the wilderness of unbelief -- like Israel (Heb. 3:7-12).

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055 -- GOD'S GUIDANCE OF THE SANCTIFIED

I. Nature of God's Guidance:

1. By His voice (John 10:27).
2. With His ever-seeing eye (Psalm 32:8).
3. With His counsel (Psalm 73:24).
4. By His continual presence (John 10:4).

II. Where God Guides the Sanctified:

1. Into paths of peace (Luke 1:79).
2. Into all truth (John 16:13).

III. The Endurance of His Guidance:

1. He guides us continually (Isa. 55:12, 13).
2. Guides us until death (Psalm 48:14).

IV. The Conditions of His Guidance:

1. The sanctified must acknowledge His past guidance (Prov. 3:6).
2. We must commit our ways unto Him (Psalm 37:5).

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056 -- SEVEN WAYS TO KEEP SANCTIFIED

We can keep the blessing of sanctification by:

1. Living a holy life (I Thess. 5:22, 23; II Tim. 2:19).
2. Living a prayerful life (I Tim. 2:8; I Thess. 5:17).
3. Living a life dead unto sin (Heb. 11:6; Col. 1:21-23).
4. Living a self-denial life (Matt. 5:29; Gal. 5:24).
5. Living a life Separate from the world (II Cor. 6:17).
6. Living a consecrated life (Rom. 12:1, 2; Ex. 28:40, 41).
7. Living a life of service (Deut. 10:12; Luke 16:13).

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057 -- THE TESTIMONY OF THE SANCTIFIED

I. Witness Testifies to What He Has Experienced:

1. What he has seen (I John 1: 2).
2. What he has heard (I John 1:3).
3. What he knows (John 9:25).

II. God's Witnesses Are Commanded:

1. To testify, or let their lights shine (Matt. 5:16).
2. To live a holy life, or walk in a straight path (Heb. 12:13).

III. God's Sanctified Witnesses Can Testify:

1. Always ready at any time (I Peter 3:15).
2. To the forgiveness or remission of their sins (Luke 1:77; Heb. 10:16-18; Isa. 55:7).
3. To their acceptance with Christ (Acts 10:34, 35).
4. To a knowledge of their conversion (Rom. 5:1).
5. To be living a holy life, without sin (I John 3:9; Rom. 6:1, 2, 14).
6. To their entire sanctification (Heb. 10:10).
7. To the extermination of inbred sin (Heb. 12:1).

IV. God's Witnessing Saints Know That:

1. They are crucified to sin (Rom. 6:6).
2. They are dead to sin (I Thess. 5:23; Rom. 6:11, 12).
3. Their hearts are pure (Acts 15:8, 9).
4. They are ready for any service (II Tim. 2: 20, 21).
5. They are ready to depart and be with Christ (II Cor. 5:1; II Tim. 4:6-8).

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058 -- THE BLAMELESSNESS OF THE SANCTIFIED

I. The Sanctified are Blameless:

1. Chosen by God to be blameless (Eph. 1:4).
2. To be presented without blame (Col. 1:21, 22).
3. Labor to be without blame (Phil. 2:14, 15).
4. Diligently strive to be blameless (II Peter 3:14).
5. Are established unblameable in holiness (I Thess. 3:12, 13).
6. The entire being is to be preserved blameless until the coming of the Lord (I Thess. 5:23).

II. The Sanctified Are Faultless (without sin or moral spot):

1. Christ was spotless (Heb. 9:14).
2. He can present His children faultless (Jude 24).
3. We are to be without spot at the throne of God (Rev. 14:4, 5).

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059 -- SANCTIFIED WHOLLY

I. Subjects of this sanctification -- you (I Thess. 5:23).

II. The source of this entire sanctification -- God of peace (I Thess. 5:23).

III. The extent of this entire sanctification -- Wholly, completely, entirely (I Thess. 5:23).

IV. The object of this entire sanctification -- soul, spirit and body be preserved blameless (I Thess. 5:23).

V. The condition of this entire sanctification -- abstain from all evil (I Thess. 5:22).

VI. The guarantee of this entire sanctification -- God's promise, faithfulness and ability to perform His Work (I Thess. 5:24).

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060 -- FOURTEEN PLACES WHERE THE SINS OF THE SANCTIFIED ARE

The sins of the sanctified are:

1. Not imputed to us (II Cor. 5:19).
2. Laid on Christ (Isa. 53:6).
3. Covered (Rom. 4:7).
4. Remitted (Acts 10:43).
5. Subdued (Micah 7:19).
6. Put away (Heb. 9:26).
7. Cast behind God's back (Isa. 38:17).
8. Finished (Rom. 6:7).
9. Cast into the sea (Micah 7:19).
10. Blotted out (Isa. 43:25).
11. Purged (Heb. 1:3).
12. Loosed in the blood (Rev. 1:5).
13. Not remembered (Heb. 8:12).
14. Cleansed by Christ's blood (I John 1:7, 9).

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061 -- SIX QUALITIES NOT FOUND IN THE SANCTIFIED

The sanctified do not have:

1. Faithlessness (John 20:27).
2. Conformity to the world (Rom. 12:2).
3. Wisdom in their own conceits (Rom. 12:16).
4. Being unequally yoked with unbelievers (II Cor. 6:14).
5. Deception of the devil (Gal. 6:7, 8).

6. Weariness in well-doing (II Thess. 3:13),

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062 -- STANDARDS FOR THE SANCTIFIED LIFE

I. Standards Toward Christ:

1. The sanctified believes in Christ (John 14:1).
2. He loves Christ (John 21:15).
3. He keeps His commandments (John 14:15, 21, 23).
4. He follows Christ (I Peter 2: 21).

II. Standards Toward the Holy Spirit:

1. He receives the Spirit as his sanctifier (Rom. 15:16).
2. He is taught by the Spirit (John 14:26).
3. He must be led by the Spirit (Rom. 8:14).
4. He must not grieve Him (Eph. 4:30).
5. Nor must he quench Him (I Thess. 5:19).

III. Standards Toward Others:

1. He must love others (John 13:34).
2. He must pray for the brethren (Col. 1:3).
3. He must do good to them (I John 3:16-18).
4. He must love his enemies (Matt. 5:43, 44).
5. He must pray for his enemies (Matt. 5:44).

IV. Standards Toward Righteousness:

1. He must love righteousness (Psalm 45:7).
2. He must follow after it (Prov. 15:9).
3. He must live it (Titus 2:11, 12)..

V. Standards Toward Sin:

1. He must hate sin (Psalm 97:10).
2. He must depart from sin (II Tim. 2:19).

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063 -- SEVEN CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SANCTIFIED

The sanctified:

1. Have a saving acquaintance with Christ (I John 3:5).
2. Have surrendered their will to Christ (Rom. 7:22).
3. Have sympathy with all the members of Christ (I John 3:16).
4. Are victorious in the conflict through Christ (I John 2:13).
5. Steadfastly abide in Christ (I John 3:6).
6. Are seeking to act like Christ (I John 2:29).
7. Are moved by the Spirit to work for Christ (I John 3:24).

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064 -- THE CRUCIFIXION OF THE SANCTIFIED

I. The Sanctified Life Is a Crucified One (Gal. 6:14).

II. We Are Crucified To the World:

1. Its sin (Rom. 6:6).
2. Its wisdom (I Cor. 1:20).
3. Its friendship (Jas. 4:4).
4. Its pollutions (II Peter 2:20).
5. Its elements (Col. 2:8).
6. Its contamination (Jas. 1:27).
7. Its corruption (II Peter 1:4).
8. Its filth (I Cor. 4:13).
9. Its spirit (I Cor. 2:12).

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065 -- EVIDENCES OF BEING SANCTIFIED

The evidences of being sanctified are:

1. The sanctified do not sin (I John 3:6).
2. The sanctified keep God's commandments (I John 3:24, R. V.).
3. The sanctified bear fruit (John 15:5).
4. The sanctified love each other (I John 2:10; 4:12, 13).
5. The sanctified walk as Christ walked (I John 2:6).
6. The sanctified continue in Christ's work (John 8:31, R. V.).

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066 -- THE CONDUCT OF THE SANCTIFIED

I. Conduct of Sanctified Toward God:

1. They believe God (Mark 11:22).

2. Fear God (I Peter 2 : 17).
3. Love God (Matt. 22: 37).
4. Obey God (Luke 1:6).
5. Rejoice in God (Heb. 3:18).
6. Follow God (Eph. 5:1).

II. The Sanctified Walk:

1. Honestly before God (I Thess. 4:12).
2. Worthy of God (I Thess. 2:12).
3. In the Spirit of God (Gal. 5:25; Rom. 8:1).
4. In the newness of divine life (Rom. 6:4).
5. As the children of divine light (Eph. 5:8).

III. The Sanctified:

1. Have put away sin (I Cor. 5:7).
2. Abstain from evil (I Thess. 5:22).
3. Perfect holiness in the fear of God (II Cor. 7:1; II Tim. 3:17).
4. Overcome the world (I John 5:4, 5).
5. Follow after the good (Phil. 4:8).
6. Control the body (Col. 3:5).
7. Forgive injuries (Rom. 12:20).
8. Live peaceably with all men (Rom. 12:18).
9. Set forth an excellent example (Titus 2:7).

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067 -- WHAT THE SANCTIFIED HAVE IN HEAVEN

The sanctified have in heaven:

1. A Savior (Phil. 3:20).
2. A new name written down (Luke 10:20).
3. A citizenship (Phil. 3:20).
4. An eternal inheritance (I Peter 1:4).
5. An everlasting hope laid up (Col. 1:5).
6. An everlasting home (Heb. 11:16).

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068 -- THE KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF OF THE SANCTIFIED

I. What the Sanctified Know:

1. That Jesus saves from all sin (Matt. 1:21).

2. That His blood has cleansed their souls (I John 1:7).
3. That He has sanctified them wholly (Heb. 13:12, 13).
4. That He has destroyed the works of the devil in their lives (I John 3:8; Rev. 20:1-3).
5. That He has saved them to the uttermost (Heb. 7:25).

II. What the Sanctified Believe Personally:

1. That He can make all grace abound -- victory (II Cor. 9:8).
2. That He is able to keep them from falling -- upholding strength (Jude 24).
3. That He is able to make them stand -- establishing tower (Rom. 14:4).
4. That He is able to perform His promises -- divine assurance (Rom. 4:21; Heb. 11:19-22).
5. That He is able to do exceedingly above all -- divine omnipotence in one's life (Eph. 3:20).

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069 -- HOW THE SANCTIFIED WALK AND LIVE

I. The Sanctified Walk:

1. In new life in the Spirit -- not the deadness of sin (Rom. 6:4).
2. After the Spirit -- not after the flesh (Rom. 8:1).
3. Soberly, righteously, and godly -- not in transgression and evil (Titus 2:12).
4. By faith in God not by the sight of the world (II Cor. 5:7).
5. In the fullness of divine love -- not in the lusts of the flesh (Eph. 5: 2).
6. With abundant peace -- not with the gloom of despair (II Tim. 2:22).

II. How the Sanctified Live:

1. Holy in character -- sanctified (I Peter 1:15, 16).
2. Watchful in prayer -- expectant (I Peter 4:7).
3. Diligent in service -- obedient (II Peter 3:14).
4. Constant in joy -- not "up and down" (I Thess. 5:16-22).
5. Always giving thanks -- not grumbling (I Thess. 5:18).
6. Always pure -- never spotted by the world (I John 1:7).
7. Diligent in looking to Jesus -- awaiting His return (Heb. 12:1, 2).
8. Waiting patiently -- never irritant, nor impatient (Psalm 40:1).

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070 -- CHRIST THE DELIVERER OF THE SANCTIFIED

Christ has delivered the sanctified from:

1. The depths of hell (Rev. 20:15).

2. The wrath to come (Rom. 8:1).
3. The power of darkness (Col. 1:13).
4. The curse of the law (Rom. 7:6).
5. The presence of sin (II Tim. 3:11).
6. The power of evil over them (II Tim. 3:11).
7. The course of the sinful world (Gal. 1:3, 4).

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071 -- GOD'S LEADERSHIP OF THE SANCTIFIED

God leads the sanctified:

1. Through the storms of life (Matt. 8:23-27).
2. Safely along life's highway (Psalm 78: 53).
3. In the right way (Psalm 107:7).
4. Out into green pastures for the soul (Psalm 23).
5. Through the depths of sorrow (Psalm 106:9).

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072 -- ETERNAL BLESSINGS OF THE SANCTIFIED

The sanctified possess:

1. Eternal life (John 3:16).
2. Are saved with an eternal salvation (Heb. 5:9).
3. Are set free with an eternal redemption (Heb. 9:12).
4. Are called to an eternal glory (I Peter 5:10).
5. Are kept for an eternal inheritance (Heb. 9:15).
6. Have an eternal weight of glory laid up (II Cor. 4:17).
7. Shall have an abundant entrance into an eternal kingdom (II Peter 1:11).

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PART IV -- CHRISTIAN PERFECTION

073 -- CHRISTIAN PERFECTION

I. The Nature of Christian Perfection: I Chron. 28:9.

II. The Standard of Christian Perfection:

1. Christlikeness (Luke 6:40).
2. The perfection of God (Matt. 5:48).

III. The Means of Christian Perfection:

1. The blood of Christ (Heb. 13:20, 21).
2. The Holy Scriptures (II Tim. 3:16, 17).
3. Through suffering (I Peter 5:10).

IV. The Marks of Christian Perfection:

1. Union with Christ (John 15:1-11).
2. Love to others (I John 4:12).
3. Knowing that we have perfect love (I John 4:17-21).

V. Christian Perfection before God, Not Man: I Kings 8:61.

VI. Examples of Christian Perfection:

1. Noah (Gen. 6:8, 9).
2. Asa (I Kings 15:14).
3. Job (Job 1:1-12).

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074 -- THE POSSIBILITY AND NATURE OF CHRISTIAN PERFECTION

I. The Possibility of Christian Perfection:

1. Commanded by God (Gen. 17:1; Matt. 5:48; Heb. 6:1).
2. Men have been perfect (Gen. 6:9; 1 Kings 15:14; Job 1:1-8).
3. We are to pray for it (I Chron. 29:19; Col. 4:12; Heb 13:20, 21; I Peter 5:10).
4. It is the purpose of the Christian ministry (Eph. 4:11-13).

II. The Nature of Christian Perfection:

1. Heart perfection (I Chron. 12:38; 28:9; 29:9).
2. Blamelessness (I Thess. 3:13; 5:23).
3. Not freedom from temptation (Jas. 1:2, 12; I Peter 1:6, 7).
4. Perfection before God (Gen. 17:1; Eph. 1:4).
5. Perfect love (I John 2:5; 4:12, 18).
6. Perfect peace (Isa. 26:3).
7. It is sanctification (Heb. 10:14).
8. A perfect life (Heb. 13:20, 21).
9. Perfect unity with the brethren (John 17:20-23).
10. Perfect holiness (II Cor. 7:1).

III. Christian Perfection is attainable in this life: I Cor. 2:6; Phil. 3:15.

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075 -- MOSAIC LAW AND CHRISTIAN PERFECTION

I. Perfection Before the Law:

1. God created man upright, perfect (Ecc. 7:29).
2. Man created in the divine image (Gen. 1:27).
3. This image is true holiness (Eph. 4:24).
4. God then commanded man to be holy (Gen. 17:1).

II. Perfection Under the Law:

1. Man commanded to be perfect (Deut. 18:13; I Kings 8:61).
2. Promises were made to the perfect (2 Chron. 16:9),
3. David testified that he was perfect (Psalm 138:8; 101:2).
4. Hezekiah was perfect (Isa. 38: 1-5).
5. Asa is referred to as being perfect (1 Kings 15:14).

III. Christian Perfection:

1. Is a higher state of divine grace (Heb. 7:19; 10:1-4).
2. Is commanded (Heb. 6:1; Matt. 5:48).
3. Has been made possible (II Tim. 3:16, 17; Heb. 13:20, 21).

IV. Those Who Can Receive Christian Perfection:

1. The man of God (II Tim. 3:17).
2. The saints (Eph. 4:12, 13).

V. Wherein We are To Be Made Perfect:

1. In holiness (II Cor. 7:1).
2. In purity (I John 3:3).
3. In doing the will of God (Col. 3:12-14).
4. Perfect in desire (Jas. 1:4).

VI. Sanctification Is the Experience Whereby We Are Perfected: Heb. 10:14.

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076 -- FIVE PROOFS OF CHRISTIAN PERFECTION

Christian perfection is proved by the act that:

1. God commands it (Deut. 6:5; Luke 10:27; Jas. 1:4; I Peter 1:15, 16).

2. God promises it (Deut. 30:6; Ezek. 36:25-29; I Thess. 5:23, 24).
3. Holy men prayed that we might receive it (Eph. 3:14, 21; I Peter 5:10).
4. The Bible points to it as God's ideal and object (Luke 1:68-75; I John 3:8; Titus 2:14; Col. 1:28; Heb. 12:10; 2 Peter 1:4).
5. Examples are presented in the Bible of men who have been perfect.
 - (1) Enoch (Gen. 5:24).
 - (2) The disciples (Acts 2:4).
 - (3) Barnabas (Acts 11:24).
 - (4) John (I John 4:17).
 - (5) Paul (I Thess. 2:10; Phil. 3:13-15).

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077 -- GOD'S PERFECT MAN

I. God the Standard of This Perfection: Matt. 5:48.

II. Christ the Ideal -- Christ's Fullness: Eph. 4:13.

III. The Result of Being Perfect:

1. Established in God (Eph. 4:14).
2. Growth in God (Eph. 4:15).
3. Walk with God (Eph. 4:17).
 - (1) Worthy of God's calling (Eph. 4:1-4).
 - (2) Walk in divine love (Eph. 5:1-4).
 - (3) Walk as children of divine light (Eph. 5:8-10)
 - (4) Walk guardedly with God (Eph. 5:15, 16).

IV. This Perfection:

1. Does not have carnal anger (Matt. 5:21-25).
2. Excludes all evil heart desires (Matt. 5:28-32).
3. Makes our word conform to truth (Matt. 5:33-37).
4. Excludes the spirit of revenge (Matt. 5:38-42).
5. Includes love for our neighbor (Matt. 5:43-47).

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078 -- PERFECT LOVE

I. The Manner of Being Made Perfect in Love -- God in Us: I John 4:12.

II. The Proof of Perfect Love in the Heart:

1. The Spirit witnesses (I John 4:13).

2. We love one another (I John 4:11).
3. We witness to it by confessing Christ (I John 4:15).

III. The Result of Perfect Love Boldness in the Judgment: I John 4:17.

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079 -- A PERFECT HEART

A perfect heart is:

1. A divine requirement (I Kings 8:61).
2. A possibility in this life (II Kings 20:3).
3. The qualification for seeing God (II Chron. 16:9).
4. A possibility in service (I Chron. 28:9).
5. An offering unto God (I Chron. 29:9).
6. A divine gift (I Chron. 29:19).

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080 -- MARKS OF THE PERFECT MAN

I. Marks of the Perfect Man:

1. He is meek (Psalm 37:11).
2. He is upright in conversation (Psalm 37:14).
3. He is righteous (Psalm 37:16).
4. He is a just man (Psalm 37:12).
5. He is a good man (Psalm 37:25).
6. He is a merciful man (Psalm 37:26),
7. He is a saintly or holy man (Psalm 37:28).

II. Results of His Perfection:

1. Frets not because of evil (Psalm 37:1).
2. Not envious about sinners (Psalm 37:1).
3. Trust in the Lord (Psalm 37:3).
4. Delights in God (Psalm 37:4).
5. Commits his way unto God (Psalm 37:5).
6. Rests in the Lord (Psalm 37:7)
7. Ceases from anger (Psalm 37:8).

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081 -- FOURTEEN CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PERFECT MAN (A Study in James)

The Perfect man is:

1. Perfect under discouragement (Jas. 1:3-11),
2. Perfect in temptations (Jas. 1:12-18).
3. Perfect in hearing and doing (Jas. 1:19-27).
4. Perfect in avoiding partiality (Jas. 2:1-13).
5. Perfect in works showing faith (Jas. 2:14-26).
6. Perfect in the use of his tongue (Jas. 3:1-12).
7. Perfect in wisdom (Jas. 3: 13-18).
8. Perfect in pleasures and desires (Jas. 4:1-10).
9. Perfect in judging (Jas. 4:11, 12).
10. Perfect in submission to God (Jas. 4:13-17).
11. Perfect in not loving the world (Jas. 5:1-6).
12. Perfect in waiting for Christ (Jas. 5:7-11).
13. Perfect in communications (Jas. 5:12).
14. Perfect in faith (Jas. 5:13-18).

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082 -- THE PERFECT CHURCH

Note the elements which make up a perfect Pentecostal church:

1. A praying church (Acts 4:24).
2. A harmonious church, with one accord (Acts 4:24).
3. A united church (Acts 4:34).
4. A witnessing church (Acts 5:32).
5. A working church (Acts 2:46).
6. A triumphant church (John 14:12-14).

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083 -- THE PERFECTION OF LOVE

I. The Command to be Perfect: Matt. 5:48.

II. The Nature of this Perfection:

1. Perfection of love (Matt. 5:20, 22, 28, 44).
2. Love is the highest law (Matt. 22:37-40).
3. Love is the end of the Law (I Tim. 1:5).
4. Love fulfills the Law (Rom. 13:10).
5. Love is God's highest gift (Rom. 5:1-5).

III. Love Is Perfected By:

1. Dwelling in God (I John 4:16-18).
2. By studying the Word (John 17:17; II Tim. 3:16, 17).
3. By undergoing suffering for Christ (Heb. 2:17, 18; Jas. 1:2-4).
4. By the cleansing of the indwelling Spirit (Heb. 13:20, 21).

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084 -- THE POSSIBILITY OF PERFECTION

Perfection is possible because:

1. God is perfect (Matt. 5:48).
2. Christ is perfect (Heb. 2:10; 12:2, R. V.).
3. The conscience can be perfect (Heb. 9:9; 10:2).
4. We can be perfect in practice (Matt. 5:48; II Cor. 13:11).
5. We can be perfect in growth (Heb. 5:14; Phil. 3:15).
6. The creature can be perfect (I John 3:1-4).
7. Absolute perfection exists in God alone (Job 37:16).
8. Men have been said to have been perfect (Job 1:8; Psalm 101:2).

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PART V -- GOD'S HOLY PEOPLE

085 -- GOD'S PEOPLE AND HEART PURITY

I. God's Desire for His People, a Pure Heart: Ezek. 36:16-38.

II. Necessity of a Pure Heart: II Tim. 2:20-26.

III. A Pure Heart Wrought By:

1. The blood of Christ (I John 1:7, and Heb. 9:11-14).
2. The incoming of the Spirit (Acts 15:7-9).
3. The obedience to truth (I Peter 1:13-22).
4. Consecrating completely to God. (Rom. 12:1, 2).

IV. The Nature of a Pure Heart:

1. Cleansed from all sin and evil (II Cor. 7:1).
2. Not the work of man (Prov. 20:9).
3. A heart whiter than snow (Psalm 51:7).

V. Examples of Purity of Heart:

1. The Apostles (Acts 2:1-4).
2. Isaiah (Isa. 6).
3. Simeon (Luke 2:25-35).

VI. The Pure in Heart Shall See God: Matt. 5:8.

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086 -- GOD'S HOLY PEOPLE

Note the heavenly blessings of God's holy people:

1. Our birth is heavenly (John 1:13).
2. We are seated in heavenly places (Eph. 2:6).
3. Our blessings are heavenly (Eph. 1:3).
4. Our calling is heavenly (Heb. 3:1).
5. Our inheritance is heavenly (I Peter 1:4).
6. Our citizenship is heavenly (Phil. 3:20, R. V.).
7. Our Representative is heavenly (Heb. 9:24).

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087 -- GOD'S CHOSEN PEOPLE

I. God's Holy People Are:

1. A supplied people (Num. 24:7).
2. An exalted people (Eph. 2:6).
3. An honored people (Num. 24:17-19).

II. God's Holy People Are Delivered From:

1. From the present evil world (Gal. 1:4).
2. Wrath to come (I Thess. 1:10).
3. The second death (II Cor. 1:10).

III. God's Holy People Are Happy Because:

1. They are forgiven (Psalm 32:1, 2).
2. They are chosen of God (Psalm 33:12).
3. They trust in God (Psalm 34:8).
4. They abide in God (Psalm 65:4).
5. They are strengthened by God (Psalm 84:5).

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088 -- A HOLY PEOPLE

A holy people are:

1. God's people (I Peter 2:10).
2. A peculiar people, or one for God's possessions (Titus 2:14; I Peter 2:9).
3. Christ died for their sins (Heb. 2:17).
4. God has promised them a divine rest (Heb. 4:9).

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089 -- PILGRIMS IN A STRANGE LAND

I. Holy People Are:

1. Strangers here (John 15:19; I Peter 1:1).
2. Pilgrims in a foreign land (Psalm 39:12; Heb. 11:13).

II. This implies That:

1. This world is not our home (I Peter 1:3-5; Heb. 11:16).
2. We are traveling to our eternal home (Jas. 4:14; Heb. 9:27).

III. These Holy Pilgrims:

1. Follow the example of Christ (Luke 9:57, 58).
2. Pass our days here in fear of the world (I Peter 1:17).
3. Let our lights shine in the world (Phil. 2:15).
4. Look and journey toward a heavenly country (II Peter 3:13).
5. Have our treasures in heaven (Matt. 6:19, 20).
6. Have respect for the reward of eternal life (Heb. 11:24-26).

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090 -- THE CALLING OF THE SAINTS

I. Our Calling:

1. We are called to be saints (I Cor. 1:2).
2. Called unto God's kingdom and glory (I Thess. 2:12).
3. Called to obtain the glory (II Thess. 2:14).
4. Called unto fellowship with Christ (I Cor. 1:9).

II. We Are Called:

1. With an eternal calling (II Tim. 1:9).

2. Unto holiness (I Thess. 4: 7).
3. With a heavenly calling (Heb. 3:1).
4. To inherit the blessing (I Peter 3:9).

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091 -- EIGHTEEN CHARACTERISTICS OF A HOLY MAN

A holy man:

1. Confesses Christ (Matt. 10:32).
2. Is near to God (Jas. 4:8).
3. Is a new creature (II Cor. 5:17).
4. Controls his body (I Cor. 9:27).
5. Hungers after righteousness (Luke 6:21).
6. Is humble (Isa. 41:10).
7. Abounds in the works of the Lord (I Cor. 15:58).
8. Abstains from evil (II Cor. 8: 21).
9. Increases in righteousness and faith (Eph. 6:16, 26, 27).
10. Rejoices in the Lord (Heb. 6:18, 19).
11. Is righteous (Luke 1:6).
12. Is an imitator of Christ (Phil. 2:5).
13. Is in Christ (Col. 3:3).
14. Is indwelt by the Holy Spirit (Rom. 8:9).
15. Is thankful (Col. 3:17).
16. Is steadfast (Col. 2:5).
17. Is trusting in the Lord (Job 13:15).
18. Is self-sacrificing (Luke 5:27, 28).

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PART VI -- THE BAPTISM WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

092 -- THE BAPTISM WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

I. This Baptism Promised by the Father: Luke 24:49.

II. Promised also by Christ: Acts 1:5.

III. God's Willingness to Give It: Luke 11:13.

IV. Nature of this Baptism:

1. Comes as rushing winds -- violently (Acts 2:1.3).
2. Comes as tongues of fire -- purifying (Acts 2:1-4).

V. The Effects of this Baptism:

1. Rivers of living water (John 7:38).
2. Power to testify (John 15:26).
3. Divine teaching for the soul (John 14:26).
4. Cleanses from all sin (Acts 15:8, 9).
5. Causes us to walk in God's statutes (Ezek. 36:27).
6. Causes us to keep God's commandments (Ezek. 36:27).

VI. Examples of those Baptized with the Spirit.

1. Disciples at Pentecost (Acts 2:1-10).
2. Stephen (Acts 6:8-15; 7:55).
3. Samaritan converts (Acts 8:14-17).
4. Converts at Ephesus (Acts 19:1-7).

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093 -- HAVE YOU RECEIVED THE HOLY SPIRIT?

I. Possible to Receive Him Because:

1. He is referred to in connection with baptism (Matt. 3:11; Acts 1:5; 11:15, 16).
2. The disciples received Him (Acts 2:1-4).
3. Cornelius received Him (Acts 11:15).

II. He Comes in His Fullness after the New Birth:

1. He came upon the disciples after they had been converted (Acts 2:1-4, with John 15:19; 17:6-16; 21:15-17).
2. He was promised to those of John's baptism of regeneration (Matt. 3:11; Acts 1:5; 2:38).
3. He cannot be received by those who have not been born again (John 14:17).

III. This is the Privilege of all Believers: Acts 2:38, 39.

IV. Conditions of Receiving the Holy Spirit:

1. He is a gift of God (Acts 8:18-22).
2. Must be after regeneration, wrought by the remission of sins (Acts 2:38).
3. Must be sought for obediently to God (Acts 5:32).
4. Must be sought for in prayer (Luke 11:13).
5. Comes only when we exercise faith for Him (Acts 15:8, 9; Gal. 3:2).
6. The seeker must be in harmony with God and man (Acts 2:1).
7. One must love Jesus supremely (John 14:15, 16).

V. Results of Receiving the Holy Spirit:

1. Enduement with divine power (Acts 1:8).
2. Soul purity (Acts 15:8, 9).
3. Gives holy boldness (Acts 4:8-13).
4. The abiding presence of the Spirit (John 14:16, 17).
5. An insight into the Word of God (John 16:13, 14).

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094 -- THE BAPTISM WITH THE SPIRIT SUBSEQUENT TO REGENERATION

I. This Baptism was:

1. Prophesied of (Isa. 32:15; Joel 2:28, 29; Ezek. 36:27).
2. Was promised (Matt. 3:11; John 14:16, 17, 26).

II. The Baptism of the Spirit is:

1. Believers -- converted (John 7:39).
2. All believers (Acts 2:38, 39).
3. An absolute necessity for the Christian life (John 16:13).

III. This Baptism Is a Definite Experience: Heb. 10:14, 15.

IV. A Definite Experience Subsequent to Regeneration:

1. He is given only to true believers--hence one must be converted to receive this baptism (Acts 19:1, 2; Eph. 1:13).
2. He indwells only the holy, not those with carnality (I Cor. 3:16, 17).

V. This Baptism alter Regeneration:

1. Sanctifies (Acts 15:8, 9; Rom. 15:16).
2. Sheds the love of God in the heart (Rom. 5:1-5).
3. Gives power (Acts 1:8).
4. Perfects in unity (Acts 4:31-33).

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095 -- THE HOLY SPIRIT

I. The Holy Spirit in the World:

1. He testifies of Christ (John 15:26).
2. He empowers to preach (I Peter 1:12).
3. He affords communion with God (II Cor. 13:14).

4. He convicts (John 16:8-11).
5. He regenerates (John 3:5).
6. He sanctifies (II Thess. 2:13).

II. The Holy Spirit as Our Teacher:

1. He guides us into truth (John 14:26).
2. He reveals the things of God to us (John 16: 14).
3. He gives us holy freedom through divine guidance (Gal. 5:18).
4. He assists us in prayer (Jude 20).

III. The Spirit Our Comforter:

1. The Spirit comforts the soul (Acts 9:31).
2. He helps our weaknesses and infirmities (Rom. 8:26).
3. He gives us hope (Rom. 15:13-26).
4. He comes as an abiding, comforting presence (John 14:16, 17).
5. He gives faith and divine fruitfulness (Acts 11:24).

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096 -- THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE SANCTIFIED

To the sanctified the Holy Spirit is:

1. Our Advocate -- to plead for us (John 14:16, R. V., margin).
2. Our Baptism -- to unite us (1 Cor. 12:13).
3. Our Leader -- to guide us (Rom. 8:14).
4. Our Fullness -- to enrich us (Eph. 5:18).
5. Our Indweller -- to control us (I Cor. 3:16).
6. Our Illuminator -- to reveal (John 16:13).
7. Our Joy -- to bless us (Rom. 15:13).
8. Our Oil of Gladness -- to refresh us (Psalm 45:7).
9. Our Power - -to empower us (Eph. 3:16).
10. Our Sanctifier -- to purify us (Rom. 15:16).
11. Our Unction -- to anoint us (I John 2:20).
12. Our Well of Living Water -- to satisfy us (John 4:14).

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097 -- EMBLEMS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

I. Water (John 7:37-39):

1. Cleansing (Heb. 10:22).
2. Fertilizing (Isa. 44:3, 4).

3. Refreshing (Psalm 46:4).
4. Free (Isa. 55:1).

II. Fire (Matt. 3:11):

1. Purifying (Isa. 4:2-5; Mal. 3:2, 3).
2. Illuminating (Psalm 78:14).
3. Searching (I Cor. 2:10; Zeph. 1:12).

III. Oil (Psalm 45:7; 2 Cor. 1:21):

1. Healing (Rev. 3:18).
2. Comforting (Isa. 61:3; John 14:16, 17).
3. Illuminating (Matt. 25:1-4).

IV. Wind (Ezek. 37:9-14) :

1. Independent in its coming (John 3:8).
2. Powerful in its effects (Acts 2:2-4).
3. Visible in its results (John 3:8).

V. A Dove (Matt. 3:16) :

1. Gentle and harmless (Matt. 10:16; Gal. 5:22, 23).
2. Pure (Matt. 5:8).

VI. A Voice (Isa. 6:8; 30:21):

1. Speaking (Matt. 10:20).
2. Guiding (Isa. 30:21; John 16:13).
3. Warning (Heb. 3: 7-13).

VII. A Seal (Rev. 7:2):

1. Securing (Eph. 1:13, 14).
2. Impressing (II Cor. 3:18).
3. Making authentic (II Cor. 1:22).

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098 -- BENEFITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

The Holy Spirit gives to the believer:

1. Divine life (Rom. 8:10, 11).
2. A witness to sonship (Gal. 4:6).

3. A witness to our acceptance with God (I John 4:13).
4. A witness to our sanctification (Heb. 10:14, 15).
5. Divine power (Acts 1:8).
6. Divine pledge of our eternal inheritance. (Eph. 1:13, 14).
7. Strength for a righteous life (Isa. 59:19).
8. Grace to walk in the statutes of the Lord (Ez. 36:27).
9. Grace to carry us through infirmities (Rom. 8:26). Without the Spirit none of this is possible.

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099 -- HOW TO BE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT

- I. Ask confidently for this infilling (Luke 11:5-13).
- II. Acknowledge fully your needs (Matt. 5:22-26; I John 1:9; Jas. 5:16).
- III. Accept freely the gift of faith (Gal. 3:2-4; Acts 2:38, 39).
- IV. Step out completely on the promises and act thereby (Acts 3:1-6).

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100 -- THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

I. The Power of the Holy Spirit Is:

1. The power of God (Matt. 12:23, with Luke 11:20).
2. The power by which Christ wrought His miracles (Matt. 12:28).

II. This Power of spirit Is Shown In:

1. Raising Christ from the dead (I Peter 3:18).
2. Giving spiritual life (Ez. 37:11-14, with Rom. 8:11).
3. Working miracles (Rom. 15:19).
4. In making the gospel powerful (I Cor. 2:4).
5. Overcoming all obstacles (Zech. 4:6, 7).

III. This Power of the Spirit Is Promised:

1. By the Father (Luke 24:49).
2. By Christ (Acts 1:8).

IV. This Spirit Power Has Been Received in this Age: Acts 2:1-4.

V. By this Power the Sanctified Are:

1. Upheld (Psalm 51:12).
2. Strengthened (Eph. 3:16).
3. Enabled to speak (Acts 2:1-4; 6:5, 10).
4. Helped in prayer (Rom. 8:26).

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101 -- THE GIFT OF THE SPIRIT BEFORE PENTECOST

I. Some Persons Receiving this Pre-Pentecostal Gift:

1. Joseph (Gen. 41:38-40).
2. Moses. (Num. 11:-16, 17).
3. Joshua (Num. 27:18-21).
4. Gideon (Judges 6:34).
5. Samson (Judges 13:25).
6. David (I Sam. 16:13).
7. Elijah (II Kings 2:9).
8. Elisha (II Kings 2:15).
9. Daniel (Dan. 4:8, 9).
10. Ezekiel (Ezek. 11:5).
11. John the Baptist (Luke 1:15-17).
12. Elisabeth (Luke 1:41).
13. Zacharias (Luke 1:67).

II. Some Conditions Met by The Above:

1. Daniel abhorred sin (Dan. 1:5-8).
2. Joshua had faith in God (Joshua 6:6-8).
3. Balaam was subject to God (Num. 22:36-38).
4. Moses was obedient to God (Ex. 7:6).
5. Samson was consecrated to God (Judges 13:3-7).
6. Gideon was loyal to God (Judges 6:12-14).
7. Elijah was unfailing to God (I Kings 18:21, 22).

III. The Manner of His Coming:

1. He fell on Ezekiel (Ez. 11:5).
2. He rested upon Elisha (II Kings 2:9, 15).
3. Gideon and Zechariah were clothed with the Spirit (Jud. 6:34; II Chron. 24:20, margin).
4. Samson was moved by the Spirit (Jud. 13:25).
5. He was within Joseph (Gen. 41:38-40).
6. He filled Elisabeth (Luke 1:41).
7. He came upon David (I Sam. 16:13).
8. He was put upon the elders (Num. 11:17).

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102 -- RESULTS OF BEING FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT

I. Christ Is Revealed (John 16:13, 14).

II. Soul Empowered for Service (I Cor. 12:4-11; Acts 1:8).

III. Divine Graces Received (II Cor. 3:17, 18).

IV. Bible Is Illuminated (I Cor. 2:9-16).

V. Life Made Glorious (II Cor. 3:17, 18).

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103 -- THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

The work of the Spirit consists of:

1. Convicting of sin (John 16:7-11).
2. Regenerating the soul (Titus 3:5, 6).
3. Sanctifying the believer (Heb. 10:14).
4. Sealing the believer (Eph. 1:13, 14, R. V.; 4:30).
5. Ministering spiritual gifts (Heb. 2:4; I Cor. 12:9-12).

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104 -- THE WITNESS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

I. The Necessity of this Witness Implied Because:

1. The soul may be deceived (Prov. 14:12; Matt. 23:24).
2. The mind may believe a lie (II Thess. 2:11, 13; Matt. 24:5).
3. Human understanding and the teaching of the world cannot be trusted (Prov. 3:5; Phil. 4:7; Col. 2:8).
4. We cannot trust our hearts (Prov. 28:26; Isa. 44:20; Psalm 95:10).
5. Conscience may be a false guide (Titus 1:15, 16; Acts 23:1).

II. Witness of the Spirit Can be Received (I John 5:6, 9).

III. Witness of the Spirit is Given:

1. When we believe (I John 5:10, 13).
2. As a supernatural vision (I Cor. 2:9, 10).

3. As a personal witness (I John 5:10; Gal. 4:6).
4. As direct from the Holy Spirit (Rom. 8:16; John 15:26).
5. Directly to our spirits (Rom. 8:16; Gal. 4:6).

IV. The Witness of the Spirit Given to Evidence:

1. The fact of the new birth (Rom. 8:16).
2. The fact of our sonship through adoption (Rom. 8:16 and John 3:6, 7).
3. The reality of our sanctification (Heb. 10:14, 15; I Cor. 2:12).
4. The assurance of our knowing God and Christ (I John 4:12, 13; 3:24).

V. Witness of the Spirit Unmistakable (I John 5:6; I Cor. 2:10-12).

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PART VII -- PENTECOST

105 -- THE EXPERIENCE OF PENTECOST

I. Experience of Pentecost:

1. A supernatural experience -- "as of fire," not fire, but supernatural in its manifestations (Acts 2:1-3).
2. An experience signifying divine presence -- fire of old meant the presence of God (See Ezek. 1:13; Mal. 3:2, 3) (Acts 2:1-4).
3. An experience enabling one to utter divine things -- "as the Spirit gave them utterance" (Acts 2:1-4).

II. The Essence of Pentecost:

1. The personal element of Pentecost -- "sat upon each of them" (Acts 2:1-4).
2. The purity of Pentecost -- "tongues as of fire" (Fire is purity) (Acts 2:1-4).

III. The Success of Pentecost:

1. Ability to point others to Christ (Peter preached only Christ) (Acts 3:18-26).
2. Enabled them to do personal work (Acts 8:26-40).
3. Gave power of great revivals (Acts 2:41; 4:1-4; 8:14-17).

IV. The Results of Pentecost:

1. Gave a glowing countenance (Acts 6:15).
2. Made others recognize that they had been with Jesus (Acts 4:13).
3. Ability to cut to the heart of sinners (Acts 2:37; 5:33).

V. The Power of Pentecost: (As indicated by the Greek word for power)

1. The power of God (Rom. 1:16).
2. The power of Christ (II Cor. 12:9).
3. The power of the Holy Spirit (Rom. 15:13).

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106 -- PENTECOST A SECOND BLESSING (A Favorite of A. M. Hills)

I. Note Evidence That the Apostles Were Converted Before Pentecost:

1. Names written in heaven (Luke 10:20).
2. Hated by the world (John 17:14).
3. Belong to Christ and to God (John 17:9-11).
4. They had cast out demons (Luke 10:17-20).
5. They had received a commission to convert the world (Matt. 28:19, 20).
6. They were continually in the temple praising God (Luke 24:53).
7. They had prayed with one accord for ten days (Acts 1:14).

II. But They Indicated that Carnality Was in Them:

1. They had little faith (Matt. 17:20).
2. They had ungodly ambitions (Mark 9:34).
3. They manifested a man-fearing spirit (John 20:19).

III. But They Were Sanctified (Not Regenerated) at Pentecost:

1. Peter says that they were cleansed (Acts 15:8, 9).
2. They were filled with the Spirit and empowered for service (Acts 1:8; 2:1-4).

IV. All Can Now Receive This Pentecostal Second Blessing (Acts 2:39; John 17:17-20).

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107 -- PETER BEFORE AND AFTER PENTECOST

I. Before Sanctified at Pentecost:

1. Fearful (Matt. 14:28-31).
2. Impetuous (Matt. 17:4).
3. Unbalanced (John 13:5-10).
4. Untrue (Matt. 26:69-74).
5. Fainthearted (Matt. 26:58).

II. After Sanctified at Pentecost:

1. Very bold (Acts 2:14, 22, 23).
2. Faithful to the end (Acts 4:1-3, 8, 10).
3. Powerful in word and deed (Acts 2:14; 5:1-10).
4. Ready to suffer for the Master (Acts 4:3; 5:17-41).
5. Ready to die for Jesus (John 21:18, 19; II Peter 1:14).

These same radical results can be achieved in any life which will pay the price of Pentecost.

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108 -- THE RESULTS OF PENTECOST

Pentecost brought the following results, and can do the same for the believer today:

1. Unity of mind and heart (Acts 4:32).
2. Boldness to speak the word (Acts 4:31).
3. Joy in praising God (Acts 2:46, 47).
4. Holy fear (Acts 5:11).
5. Liberality for the service of God (Acts 4:34, 35).
6. Powerful for witnessing (Acts 4:33).
7. Stedfastness in life and doctrine (Acts 2:42).
8. Favor with man and God (Acts 2:47).
9. Power to win others to Christ and the Church (Acts 2:47).

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109 -- PENTECOST BEFORE AND AFTER

I. Before Pentecost -- The Need:

1. A sectarian spirit (Luke 9:49, 50).
2. A vindictive spirit (Luke 9:51-56).
3. A self-seeking spirit (Mark 10:35-46).
4. A compromising spirit (Matt. 26:69-75).

II. After Pentecost -- The Result:

1. Purification (Acts 15:1, 8, 9).
2. Illumination (John 14:26; 16:13, 14).
3. Power:
 - (1) Of the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:8; 2:1-4).
 - (2) Power of divine exploits (Judges 14: 5, 6, 19).

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110 -- THE JEWISH FEAST OF PENTECOST

I. When it Was Held (Lev. 23:15, 16).

II. What it Was Called:

1. Feast of the harvest (Ex. 23:16).
2. Feast of weeks (Ex. 34:22).
3. Day of the first fruits (Num. 28:26).
4. Day of Pentecost (Acts 2:1).

III. What It Was:

1. A time of holy rejoicing (Deut. 16:10-12).
2. A holy convocation (Lev. 23:21).

IV. Commanded to Be Perpetually Observed (Lev. 23:21).

V. What Transpired on that Day:

1. First fruits of bread presented (Lev. 23:17).
2. Sacrifices given (Lev. 23:18, 19).

VI. Memorable Occasions Falling on Pentecost:

1. The Law was given on Sinai (Ex. 19:1, 11, and Ex. 12:6, 12).
2. The Holy Spirit baptized the Church (Acts 2:1-4).

VII. Early Church Observed Pentecost (Acts 20:16; I Cor. 16:8).

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PART VIII -- HOLINESS AND CARNALITY

111 -- BIBLE NAMES FOR CARNALITY

Carnality or depravity is called in the Scriptures:

1. The carnal mind (Rom. 8:7).
2. The law of sin (Rom. 7:23),
3. To be carnal (I Cor. 3:3).
4. The flesh (in reference to the inherited human nature) (Gal. 5:17).
5. The old man (Eph. 4:22; Rom. 6:6).
6. Bent to backsliding (Hos. 11:7).
7. The stony heart (Ezek. 37:26).
8. Filthiness of the flesh (II Cor. 7:1).

9. The sin which doth beset us (Heb. 12:1).
10. Superfluity of naughtiness (Jas, 1:21).
11. The body of this death (Rom. 7:24).
12. Sold under sin (Rom. 7:14).
13. Sin dwelleth in me (Rom. 7:14).

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112 -- CHRIST THE DESTROYER OF CARNALITY

1. Christ came to destroy the works of the devil (I John 3:8).
2. He was manifested to take away our sins (I John 3:8).
3. He came to put away (or abolish) sin by his sacrifice (Heb. 9:26).
4. He came to redeem from all iniquity and to purify (Titus 2:14).
5. The purpose of His death was to destroy the body of sin (Rom. 6:6).
6. To be spiritually dead with Christ is to be free from sin (Rom. 6:7).

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113 -- THE ERADICATION OF CARNALITY

(Eradication is not a scriptural term, but is used to express those thoughts which are found in the Bible which denote the complete destruction of carnality.)

1. Holiness washes thoroughly from iniquity (Psa. 51:2).
2. The members of the body are to be mortified (Col. 3:5).
3. The old man is to be put off (Col. 3:9).
4. The flesh (or inherited human nature) is to be crucified (Gal. 5:24, 25).
5. To be sanctified, man is to purge himself (II Tim. 2:21).
6. We are to reckon ourselves to be dead to sin (Rom. 12:1).
7. The old man is crucified (Rom. 6:6).
8. The heart is to be purified (Acts 15:9; Jas. 4:8).
9. Christ died to cleanse (Eph. 5:26).
10. Our sins are to be purged (Heb. 1:3).
11. Body of sin is to be destroyed (Rom. 6:6).

(Note the words used with reference to carnality: washed thoroughly, mortified, put off, crucified, purged, dead, purified, cleansed, and destroyed. Stronger terms could not be used, and hence those who believe in "second blessing holiness" use the term eradication to denote the method by which the Holy Spirit eliminates carnality, or inherited sin from the heart of the believer.)

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114 -- FULL DELIVERANCE FROM SIN

1. Without holiness, or deliverance from sin, it is impossible to see the Lord (Heb. 12:14).
2. Our hearts are to be established unblamable in holiness (I Thess. 3:12, 13).
3. Love is to be perfected (I John 4:18).
4. We are to be crucified, dead, with Christ, and hence free from sin (Gal. 2:20).
5. Holiness affords complete victory over the world (Gal. 6:14).

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