

## 1 Cor. 1:1–3 & John 17:13–19 | Sanctification

### **Study Questions\* from 29.10.2023 sermon**

\*Some questions taken from Serge Sonship Manual, 3rd Edition, Session 9.

#### **Read**

Read 1 Cor. 1:1–3 & John 17:13–19 together.

#### **Discuss**

- i. Have you ever met someone who you haven't seen since childhood, and you are shocked by their transformation? Share with your group.
- ii. Which of the following phrases describe Justification and which describe [progressive] Sanctification? Place a check mark under the "J" or the "S" indicating your choice.  
(Work through these on your own, then do the next question together as a group)

##### **J S Justification or Sanctification?**

- a. ☐ ☐ A growing love from a growing faith
  - b. ☐ ☐ By faith apart from works
  - c. ☐ ☐ Progressively being changed to resemble Christ
  - d. ☐ ☐ Being declared legally righteous
  - e. ☐ ☐ God's acquittal and acceptance of an enemy
  - f. ☐ ☐ Continual inner cleansing and purification
  - g. ☐ ☐ Once and for all at conversion
  - h. ☐ ☐ Ongoing growth; never complete in this life
  - i. ☐ ☐ The maturing of a son or daughter
- iii. Check your answers with the key at the end of these questions. Make any corrections necessary. Discuss your corrections with your group to ensure you have fully understood Sanctification (& Justification!).
  - iv. What is sanctification? Discuss with your group, come up with a definition and write it here:

**When we think about sanctification, we need to keep a number of things in mind. First and foremost, it is God who sanctifies us. The Holy Spirit alone has the amazing power to transform our hearts, conquer our idols, and cause us to delight in Jesus. We are not, however, passive in this process: We have a responsibility to cooperate with the Spirit and to contribute to our sanctification.**

v. Describe how God sanctifies us - what sorts of things does He do in our lives?

Describe how we contribute to our sanctification - what sorts of things can we do?

Include a specific personal example for each of the above questions.

vi. What do you find hardest about Sanctification? Discuss what will motivate us and help us to be sanctified.

### **Answer key to question ii:**

a: S, b: J, c: S, d: J, e: J, f: S, g: J, h: S, i: S.

### **Pray**

Spend some time praying through what you've learned & praying for each other.