2020 Summer Truth Pursuit God's Complete Salvation

Message 10

Dispositional Sanctification and Renewing

Scripture Reading: Rom. 15:16; 8:2; 6:19, 22; Eph. 1:4; Rev. 21:2, 10; 22:19; Rom. 12:2a

I. In the dispositional sanctification in the divine nature and in the Spirit's renewing of the believers' mind.

II. Dispositional sanctification

A. Dispositional sanctification being for the believers to be sanctified in their disposition that they may partake of the holy nature of God and be one with Him in this attribute of His—Rom. 15:16

Romans 15:16 That I might be a minister of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles, a laboring priest of the gospel of God, in order that the offering of the Gentiles might be acceptable, having been sanctified in the Holy Spirit.

B. This aspect of sanctification implying transformation-Rom. 6:19, 22

Romans 6:19 I speak in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves to uncleanness and lawlessness unto lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness unto sanctification.

Romans 6:22 But now, having been freed from sin and enslaved to God, you have your fruit unto sanctification, and the end, eternal life.

C. This being the fulfillment of God's purpose in choosing the believers—Eph. 1:4

Ephesians 1:4 Even as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world to be holy and without blemish before Him in love.

D. Both the positional sanctification in the judicial aspect and the dispositional sanctification in the organic aspect of God's salvation being ultimately manifested in the New Jerusalem for it to become the holy city—Rev. 21:2, 10; 22:19

Revelation 21:2 And I saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

Revelation 21:10 And he carried me away in spirit onto a great and high mountain and showed me the holy city, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God,

Revelation 22:19 And if anyone takes away from the words of the scroll of this prophecy, God will take away his part from the tree of life and out of the holy city, which are written in this scroll.

III. Renewing

- A. The believers are spontaneously renewed in their spiritual life when they are sanctified dispositionally by the Holy Spirit
- B. Requiring the believers not to be fashioned according to this age, but to be transformed by the renewing of their mind—Rom. 12:2a

Romans 12:2 And do not be fashioned according to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of the mind that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and well pleasing and perfect.

- C. To be renewed in the mind is to get rid of all the old concepts concerning the things of the human life and be made new again by the teaching of the Holy Scriptures and the enlightening of the Holy Spirit.
- D. Such a renewing of the mind issuing in the transformation of the believers in their spiritual life.

Further reading

God's Full Salvation, Lesson 16.