

God's Eternal Purpose

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Acts 2:41, *“Those who had received Peter’s word were baptized; and that day there were added about three thousand souls.”*

2 Corinthians 3:16-18, *“Whenever a person turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit.”*

Ephesians 5:25-27, *“Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her, so that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she would be holy and blameless.”*

Revelation 21:2; 9, *“And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, made ready as a bride adorned for her husband. Then one of the seven angels...spoke with me saying, “Come here, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.”*

1 Corinthians 6:9-11, *“Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God. Such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God.”*

Saint: to be holy and worthy of God

2 Thessalonians 1:7-9, *“The Lord Jesus will be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels in flaming fire, dealing out retribution to those who do not know God and to those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. These will pay the penalty of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power.”*

1 Corinthians 15:1-4, *“Now I make known to you...the gospel...by which also you are saved. I delivered to you as of first importance...that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures.”*

Romans 6:3-7, *“Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection, knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin; for he who has died is freed from sin.”*

1 Peter 2:5, *“You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a people for God’s own possession.”*

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