

1st John #11

“Don’t get Burned”

John 15:6; 1st John 1:1-3

We have non-progressive justification or positional sanctification and progressive experiential sanctification which is the Christian life.

Morality is for believers and unbelievers but the Church Age supernatural spiritual life is based on and empowered by God the Holy Spirit and that’s quite different.

Fellowship with the apostles is based on belief in their provided information, not on sharing company together.

When we apply biblical truth we learned while filled with the Holy Spirit when we’re tested, we win for ourselves and we honor God.

It’s not so much what would Jesus do but what would Jesus think?

The choices we make determine the life we live and the issue is whether we’re going to apply divine viewpoint or human viewpoint, walking by the Holy Spirit in the Light or walking according to flesh in darkness.

When we make choices today based on what will happen at the Judgment Seat of Christ, we have an eternal sense of our destiny and this is what sanctification is all about.

The Christian life is a life of choices where we can apply the Word or not after the Holy Spirit brings it to our memory.

If we choose to apply the Word, the Holy Spirit uses that which we’ve learned to strengthen our souls.

Fruit-bearers are mature believers who live a Christ-like existence above their circumstances; living, loving and serving as Jesus did.

The mature believer’s relaxed urgency causes him to rarely be anxious for anything or any reason, so even when he’s about to become divorced or about to die, he remains stable.

Whether it’s money, a job, selection of a lifetime mate or any other challenge he faces, he remains calm because he casts ALL his cares on the One who cares for him.

And when he fails as we all do, he recovers quickly by naming his sin before God, isolating it and forgetting it at which time, he presses on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called him Heavenward in Christ Jesus and he keeps moving forward.

With the exception of mature believers, all members of the human race are slaves to their circumstances but to the mature believer, circumstances are not an issue because he relies on the resources of God’s living-grace support to provide freedom and independence from circumstances.

Wisdom is knowing and doing the will of God, so knowing and doing the will of God requires wisdom.

Wisdom is spiritual muscle from the exercise of doing the will of God; it’s knowledge of what is true or right combined with good judgment from being under the mentorship of God the Holy Spirit, John 14:26.

Humility is the basis for teachability and teachability is the road to wisdom.

No one has or will have wisdom apart from virtue and humility which lead to great happiness and orientation to life.

Our wisdom is based on our interest in the plan of God for our life.

God has a plan so that our lives will be occupied with Jesus Christ and our dying will be profit.