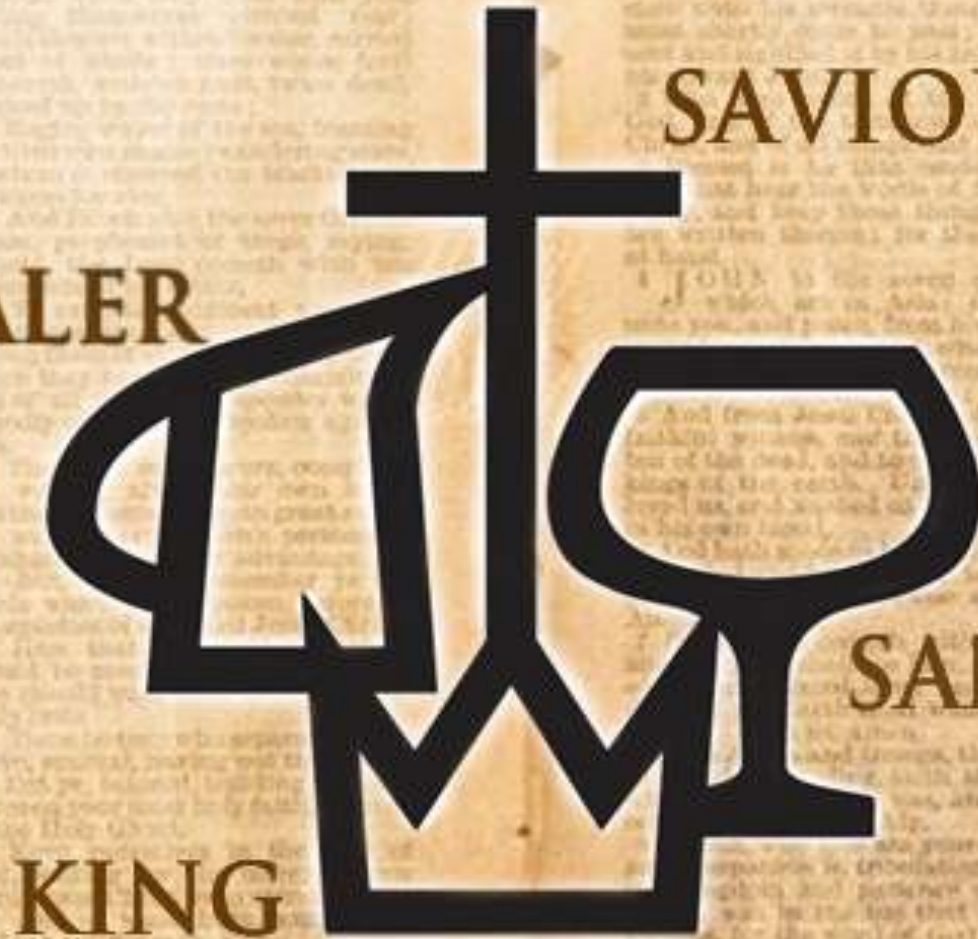


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Week One - Christ our Saviour

- reality of the 'wrath of God'
- honest of our guilt, deserving of that
- clarity of the Gospel message
 - God loved and initiated
 - Jesus life, death and resurrection
 - Invitation to accept & believe

*Christ our Saviour *

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Christ our Sanctifier

- sanctify “to set apart, cleanse or purify, to consecrate, to make Holy’

1. **In Christ – Positional Sanctification**

a) Justified – legal term

- Rom. 8:1 *“There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus”*

- Psalm 103:12 *“as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.”*

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- 1 John 1:9 *“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”*

b) Adopted – sons and daughters, new family

- Gal 4:5-6 *“to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. ⁶ And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!”*

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- Eph 1:4-5 “ *even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love ⁵ he predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will”*

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- set apart, new people

1 Peter 2:9 – 10 *“But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.*

- in Christ you enjoy positional sanctification

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2. **In Christ – Process of Sanctification**

- living up to who you already are
- conformed into the image of Christ - process

a) God's Will For You

- God's will:
 - decreed – will happen regardless
 - desired – reveals to us his desired will
 - directive – special leading of God

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- to be sanctified...

1 Thess. 4:1- 2 *"Finally, then, brothers, we ask and urge you in the Lord Jesus, that as you received from us how you ought to walk and to please God, just as you are doing, that you do so more and more. ² For you know what instructions we gave you through the Lord Jesus. ³ For this is the will of God, your sanctification..."*

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- process of being conformed, Romans 8:29

“²⁹ For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.”

b) God's Work in You

- knew you would need help in this process, did not just tell you to go and make it happen!

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- John 14:15-17 *“If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, ¹⁷ even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.”*

- John 14:26 *“ But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.*

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- John 16:13-14 ¹³ *When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.* ¹⁴ *He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you*

- Acts 1:8 *But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.*

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- c) God's Clear Call – Respond in Obedience
- done a great work for you
 - revealed his desire for you
 - invites you to respond in participation
- * Be Real – struggle will exist

Rom. 7:16-18 *“¹⁸ For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. ¹⁹ For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing.”*

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- not easy to allow your heart and desires to change – be affected. Takes time and a work of God through grace driven effort

*Be Intentional & Obedient

- ▣ - Col. 3:1ff *“If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³ For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your*

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life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.⁵ Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming.⁷ In these you too once walked, when you were living in them.⁸ But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth.⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices¹⁰ and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator

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* Be Filled With the Holy Spirit

- Gal. 5:16 *“ But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh*
- Acts 1:8 *“ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”*
- obedience empowered by Holy Spirit brings living up to who we already are in Christ

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So What?

1. **Given a Great Position**

- seen through Jesus by Almighty God
- Justified
- Adopted
- New People

2. **Called to Live Up to this Reality**

- clearly God's desire for us
- clearly God provided the ability – Holy Spirit
- clearly called to participate - obedience

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3. **Need to Respond to God Today**

- renewed surrender to Holy Spirit
- renewed intention pursue deeper life
 - transforming work of the Word of God
 - leading and refining of Spirit of God
 - choosing to die to self and live in Christ

****Christ in me – the hope of Glory****