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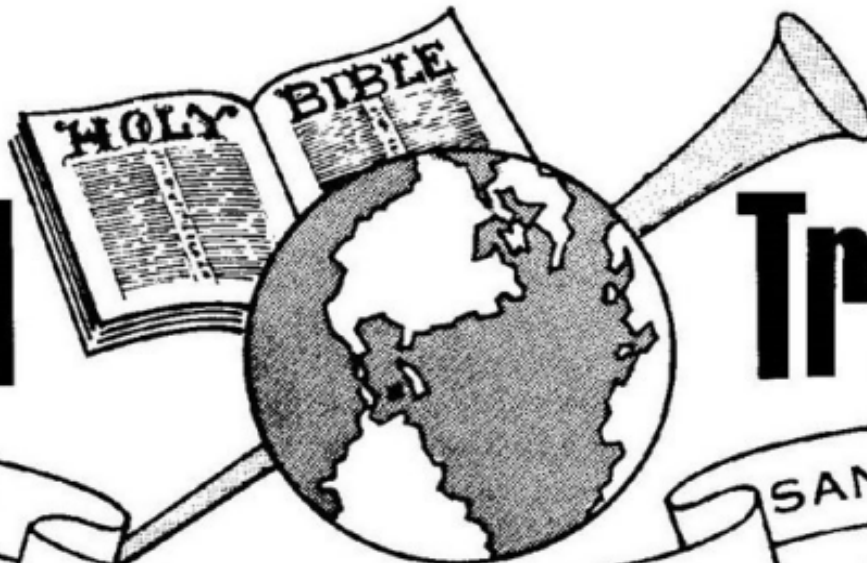
*Foundation  
Stones:*  
**Holiness**



# ***What Do Many Religions Say About Living Free From Sin?***

- **"NOWHERE DOES THE BIBLE SAY that a Christian in this life will ever be completely perfect—that is, free from all sin."**
- **Do Christians sin? "Yes, but NOT WILLFULLY."**
- **"When a person comes to faith in Christ, he is forgiven of all sins, past, present, AND FUTURE."**
- **"It is common for Christians to sin because humans are NOT PERFECT."**
- **"Christians DON'T ALWAYS REALIZE when they are sinning."**

# The Gospel



# Trumpeter

JUSTIFICATION

"So will I seek out my sheep, and will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day."

Ezekiel 34:12  
Jeremiah 32:39

SANCTIFICATION

"But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished."

Revelation 10:7  
Matthew 24:31

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SOUNDING FORTH THE SEVENTH AND LAST TRUMPET

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*Three Foundational Truths*

# ***What Is Holiness (Sanctification)?***

## **Three Definitions:**

- **“a person SET APART to a sacred [holy] purpose”**
- **"a place SET APART, separated for the DWELLING PLACE OF GOD"**
- **"THE PROCESS of making or becoming holy (advancing in holiness)"**



# *The First Sanctuary*



- **“SANCTUARY” = a sacred, holy place”**
- **The place where God’s presence was going to DWELL**
- **God gave Moses a PATTERN for exactly how to build God’s dwelling place**



# *The First Sanctuary*



- **55 feet long, 18 feet wide, 18 feet high**
- **2 rooms**
- **No windows**
- **Lamps continually burning**
- **A court surrounded the tabernacle**



# *The First Sanctuary*



- **Sanctuary (tabernacle) was created to be MOBILE**
- **Accompanied the Israelites in their wilderness journey**



# *The First Sanctuary*



- **Impossible for a heathen to enter when God's presence was there**
- **Israel was a TYPE (PATTERN, example) of the New Testament church**



# *Temple Vessels*



→ **Vessels were also a type (pattern, example), serving as “a SHADOW of good things to come.”**

# *Temple Vessels*



- **Paul “is a CHOSEN VESSEL” (Acts 9:15)**
- **A “VESSEL OF MERCY” (Romans 9:23-24)**
- **“A VESSEL unto honor, SANCTIFIED ... for the master’s use” (2 Timothy 2:20)**



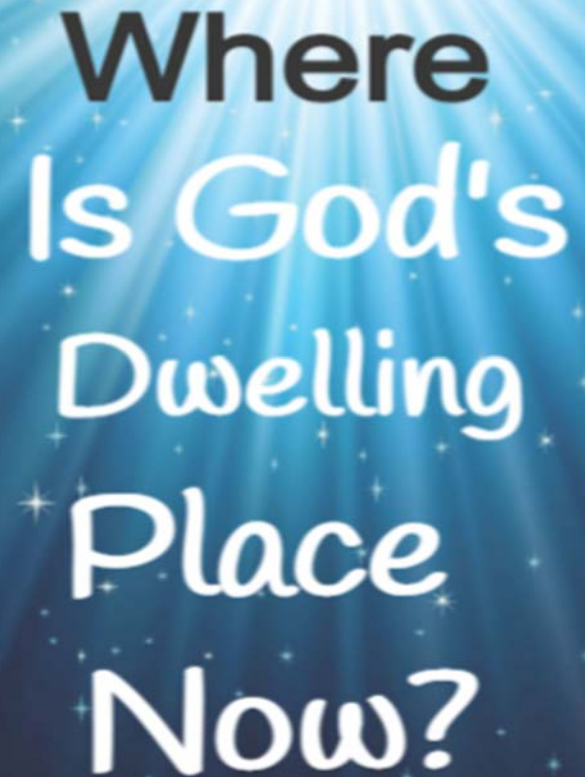
# *Temple Vessels*



- **All who are SAVED ARE VESSELS of Christ's ministry**
- **Being saved = “know how to POSSESS [control] [your] vessel in SANCTIFICATION [set apart from sin, holiness]”  
(1 Thessalonians 4:3-4)**

# *The Second Sanctuary*

- define "SANCTUARY" = "the holy place, the Divine dwelling place"
- 1<sup>ST</sup> SANCTUARY = the tabernacle and later the temple where God's presence dwelled
- 2<sup>ND</sup> SANCTUARY = the location of God's dwelling place has changed



**Where**  
Is God's  
Dwelling  
Place  
Now?



# *The Second Sanctuary*

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- **1 Corinthians 3:9 "ye are GOD'S BUILDING"**
- **1 Corinthians 3:16-17 "the Spirit of God dwelleth in you ... for the TEMPLE OF GOD IS HOLY."**
- **2 Corinthians 6:16 "Ye are the TEMPLE of the living God; as God hath said, I WILL DWELL IN THEM, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people."**
- **Ephesians 2:19-22 "YE ARE ... AN HOLY TEMPLE in the Lord: In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit."**

# *The Second Sanctuary*

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- 1 Peter 2:5 "YE ... ARE BUILT UP A SPIRITUAL HOUSE, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ."
- 1 Timothy 3:15 "THE HOUSE OF GOD ... IS THE CHURCH OF THE LIVING GOD, the pillar and ground of the truth."

The "HOUSE OF GOD" is "the CHURCH OF THE LIVING GOD" and that is where God now lives: in the hearts and lives of His people.



# *The Two Sanctuaries*

## *Old Testament*

→ "And let them **MAKE ME A SANCTUARY**; that I may dwell among them" (Exodus 25:8).



## *New Testament*

→ "The **TABERNACLE OF GOD IS WITH MEN**, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God" (Revelation 21:3).

➤ "tabernacle" – the abode of God, God's dwelling place, God's home

*Will God dwell in an unholy sanctuary?*

# *Sanctifying God's Dwelling Place*

## *Old Testament*

- After the tabernacle was set up, it was anointed (including furniture) with holy oil (Exodus 40:9-11) and **SANCTIFIED WITH BLOOD** (Hebrews 9:21).
- When God entered it, He sanctified it with **HIS GLORY**.

## *New Testament*

- Hebrews 10:10 "we are **SANCTIFIED** through the offering of the **BODY OF JESUS CHRIST** once for all."
- John 17:17 " Sanctify them through thy **TRUTH**: thy word is truth."
- Hebrews 12:14 "**FOLLOW** peace with all men, and **HOLINESS**, without which no man shall see the Lord."

*Will God dwell in an unholy sanctuary?*

# *God's Dwelling Place Is Holy*

## *New Testament*

- Matthew 5:8 "Blessed are the **PURE IN HEART**: for they shall see God."
- 1 John 3:6 "Whosoever abideth in him **SINNETH NOT**: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him."
- Psalm 23:3-4 "Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord? or who shall stand in his holy place? He that hath clean hands, and a **PURE HEART**."



*Will God dwell in an unholy sanctuary?*



# *Sin Is the OPPOSITE of Holiness*

## *Sin Is ...*

- "the TRANSGRESSION [to break or disregard] of the law" (1 John 3:4)
- "breaking the law of God ON PURPOSE " (*The World Book Dictionary*)
- " UNCLEANNESS " (Zechariah 13:1)

## *Holiness Is ...*

- "FREE FROM SIN" (Romans 6:22)
- "SEPARATENESS or being set apart from that which is unclean" (Hebrew & Greek)
- Same meaning as the word "SAINTS" ("set apart by God, holy, sacred"); God's people are "called to be saints" (Romans 1:7).

# *Is It Possible to Live ...*



- Matthew 1:21 "And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people **FROM** their sins."
- Psalm 40:2 "He brought me up also **OUT OF** an horrible pit, **OUT OF** the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings. "
- Romans 6:1-2 " What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? **GOD FORBID**. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein? "
- Isaiah 59:2 AMP " Your iniquities have made a **SEPARATION** between you and your God ... so that He will not hear."

# *Can We Sin Without Knowing It?*

## **Sin Requires a KNOWLEDGE**



**Is  
There  
Unknown  
Sin?**

- James 4:17 “Therefore to him that KNOWETH to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.
- 2 Corinthians 7:16 “GODLY SORROW worketh repentance to salvation.”



# *Can We Sin Without Knowing It?*

→ **Sin Requires a WILL**

- Isaiah 53:6 "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to HIS OWN WAY. "
- Hebrews 10:26 "For if we sin WILFULLY [DELIBERATELY] after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins."



**Is  
There  
Unknown  
Sin?**

# *Does God Require His People to Be Holy?*



- John 8:11 " And Jesus said unto here, Go and **SIN NO MORE.** "
- Ephesians 1:4 " he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that **WE SHOULD BE HOLY** and without blame, before him in love. "
- 2 Timothy 2:19 "Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth **THEM THAT ARE HIS.**"

# *The Cross*

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- **If we cannot live free from sin today, what was the purpose of Jesus' sacrifice on the Cross?**
- **The Old Testament people could not live free from sin. Are we no different from them today?**

