

Sanctified

➤ PURIFIED FOR A PURPOSE ➤

What do you think it means to be
“saved”?

We often think about what we are
saved **from**, and not what we are
saved **for**...

2 Thessalonians 2:13-14

NIV

¹³ But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through **sanctification by the Spirit** and belief in the truth. ¹⁴ To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The purposeful life is the
Spirit-filled life.

John 14:15-17

NIV

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Apprenticeship Assumption:

“Disciples of Jesus love him, and desire to keep his commandments.”

Apprenticeship is about...

Affection (Love)
Allegiance (Faith)
Alignment (Mission)

We Need Help!

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Para – “beside or along with” *Kaleo* – “to call”

“Putting these two words together suggests a meaning for *Paraclete* of ‘**one who is called beside or summoned.**’”

Tim Woodruff

This description of **The Helper** provides fundamental insights about **human nature (need)**.

3 Insights about Human Nature/Need:

1) We Need Truth

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- The Truth We Need Only God Can Provide

John 14:17b-19

NIV

The world cannot accept him, **because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.** ¹⁸ I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹ Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live.

John 14:8-9

NIV

⁸ Philip said, “**Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.**”

⁹ Jesus answered: “Don’t you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time?

Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’?

John 14:8-10

NIV

¹⁰ Don't you believe that **I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me**? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work.

“He lives with you,” states Jesus, as if to say, “If you really know me, you will know my Spirit as well.”

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- God's Desire for Us to Experience this Truth Expresses our Need for this Truth

John 14:20-21

NIV

²⁰ On that day you will realize that **I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.** ²¹ Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them."

John 14:22-23

NIV

²² Then Judas (not Judas Iscariot) said, “But, Lord, why do you intend to show yourself to us and not to the world?”²³ Jesus replied, “Anyone who **loves me will obey my teaching**. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.

John 14:24

NIV

²⁴ Anyone who does not love me will not obey my teaching. These words you hear are not my own; they belong to the **Father who sent me.**

John 14:25-26

NIV

²⁵ “All this I have spoken while still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, **whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.**

John 16:12-14

NIV

¹² “I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. ¹³ But when he, **the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth.** He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive what he will make known to you.

“So, the question often is ‘Have I accepted Jesus as my Savior?’ But we never ask the question ‘Have I accepted Jesus as my teacher?’”

Dallas Willard

3 Insights about Human Nature/Need:

1) We Need Truth

2) We Need Peace

John 14:27

NIV

²⁷ **Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you.** I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

2) We Need Peace

- The Peace We Need Only God Can Provide

John 15:8-9

NIV

¹⁸ “If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first. ¹⁹ If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. **As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world.** That is why the world hates you.

John 14:27

NIV

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“Peace is not the absence of strife but the presence of Christ.”

James Bryan Smith

2) We Need Peace

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- **The Peace of Christ is the Source of our Courage**

John 14:27

NIV

²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. **Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.**

John 16:7

NIV

⁷ But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. **Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.**

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- The Peace of Christ is the Source of our Courage
- **The Peace of Christ is Grounded in His Return**

John 14:28-29

NIV

²⁸ “You heard me say, ‘**I am going away and I am coming back to you.**’ If you loved me, you would be glad that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ I have told you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe.

3 Insights about Human Nature/Need:

- 1) We Need Truth
- 2) We Need Peace
- 3) **We Need Someone to Trust**

John 14:30-31

NIV

30 I will not say much more to you, for the prince of this world is coming. He has no hold over me, 31 but he comes so that the world may learn that **I love the Father and do exactly what my Father has commanded me.**

“Come now; let us leave.

3) We Need Someone to Trust

- Jesus's Entire Life/Ministry is About Trust

John 16:8-11

NIV

⁸ When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹ about sin, because people do not believe in me; ¹⁰ about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; ¹¹ and about judgment, **because the prince of this world now stands condemned.**

3) We Need Someone to Trust

- Jesus's Entire Life/Ministry is About Trust
- **We are NOT in Control (Let God be God)**

John 15:5

NIV

5 “I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; **apart from me you can do nothing.**

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- **Trusting God is the Core of the Purposeful Life**

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