

The Theme: Preparation To Witness (1)

The Topic: The Position of Jesus Christ in the Believer

The Texts: Ye are My witnesses saith the Lord Isaiah 43:10

I am the vine, ye are the branches; he that abideth in Me,
and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit; for without
Me ye can do nothing. John 15:5

But sanctify the Lord God in your heartsj and be ready always
to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope
that is in you with meekness and fear. I Peter 3:10

Introduction

- A. These verses remind us that the witness is first of all a person.
 - B. You were created in Adam and recreated in Jesus Christ to glorify God and to daily enjoy Him. When this is true we are and will be God's witness. God expects us and commands us to explain our faith to people!
- I. The Necessity of Personal Sanctification, I Peter 3:15; John 15:5.
- A. Because witnessing is the work of God.
"Whereunto He called you by our Gospel" II Thessalonians 2:14.
 - B. Because witnessing is the presentation of the Word of God.
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 - C. Because witnessing is the presentation of the Word of God in the context of our experience.
"Whereunto He called you by our Gospel"
- II. The Meaning of Personal Sanctification, I Peter 3*105 John 10:0.
- A. Personal sanctification is a daily wholehearted surrender to a Person: the Lord Jesus Christ.

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. Matthew 22:37,38.
 - B. Personal sanctification is a daily honest claiming of the deeds of God.
"... Put off . . . the old man" Ephesians 4:22
"... Put on the new man" Ephesians 4:24
"Neither give place to the Devil." Ephesians 4:27
", . . Be filled with the Spirit. " Ephesians 5:18
 - C. Personal sanctification is a daily practical obedience of the Biblical commands.
"Go ye therefore and disciple all nations" Matthew 28:19

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