SANCTIFICATION- THE WILL OF GOD.

Bible Text: 1 Thess. 4:1-7

Sanctification is God's will for every believer. The will of God becomes commandment to His people. Every will of God must be done from the heart. (Eph. 6:6)

Sanctification is a state of being set apart from sin unto holiness, from ordinary to sacredness, from holy and profanity.

Gen. 44:23

The opposite of Holiness is not sinfulness, it is common or profanities. You do not know the genuine by studying the fake, you know it by getting more use to genuine. God is holy and you have that genes in you when you gave your life to him.

It means being set apart unto God from carnality. It is not a once and for all but progressive work of grace. Every believer is a work in progress. Sanctification is not a passive state, but active participation of manifesting outwardly the internal workings in us. (Phil. 1:6; 2:13)

It is not just restricted to be set apart from sexual impurities but also includes being separated for Holy use.

PROCESS THAT CONCLUDED YOUR ULTIMATE SALVATION.

The over-all process of salvation is carried out by God in our lives in different phases.

These phases can be described as progress through four consecutive stages:

- 1. Conviction (of sin by the Holy Spirit). John 16:9.
- 2. Justification (rescue of the sinner through the finished work of Christ on the cross) Rom. 3:23-24
- 3. Sanctification (transformation of the saved on earth). Rom. 12:1-2
- 4. Glorification (perfection of the saved in heaven). John 14:3

These can be sanctified:

1. Places. Ex. 3:1-6; 27: 42-43

- 2. People/Persons.- (Acts 13:2; Judges 13:6-7)
- 3. Programs. (Joel 1:14; 2:15)

WHAT SETS YOU APART?

- 1. The truth of God's word. John 17:17-19; 1 Thess. 2:13
- 2. Abstinence from the works of the flesh. 1 Thess. 4:3
- 3. Faith in the atoning power of the Holy Spirit. 1 Pet. 1:2
- 4. God's eternal plan. It predated you. 2 Tim. 1:9; Titus 3:5.