

Living as God Intended us to Live

1 Thessalonians 4:3;7-8 It's God's will that you should be sanctified... For God did not call us to be impure, but to live a holy life.

Sanctification is the process of becoming holy and set apart for God.

We are called to a holy life, not to an impure life. When we don't do this, we are saying no to the life he intended for us to live.

Hebrews 10:10;14

Through the sacrifice of Jesus, we have been made holy, through his perfect sacrifice.

When we accept him into our hearts, when we acknowledge him and his death and resurrection in our hearts, we experience our own salvation.

We are saved, we are sanctified.

Colossians 2:6-10 "So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him..."

There is only one true sense of purpose. There is only one way to be completely content. This is through Christ and his sacrifice for us.

John 17:14-19 “...¹⁷ Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth...”

2 Thessalonians 2:13

James 1:5

We are saved and sanctified through belief in the truth of the word of God.

“A wise person understands and knows that their decisions today affect their tomorrow”.

The decisions we make right now, affect our tomorrow and the years ahead.

Our life situations are often a result of the decisions we make.

We may have some deep, unhealthy roots in our lives that we try to hide from others.

These unhealthy roots pull us away from living a holy and set apart life that God intended us to live.

Proverbs 4:23, Proverbs 2:8-9

When we are honest with ourselves, we can be honest with God and live in a more harmonious relationship with him.

If we are not honest with ourselves and our situations, we are lacking wisdom.

We can make a lot of little harmful decisions that we see as harmless because they are small.

These small decisions often all add up to one bigger, harmful decision.

We should always be thinking, how will this decision affect my tomorrow?

2 Timothy 2:21(ESV) Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from what is dishonorable, he will be a vessel for honorable use, set apart as holy, useful to the master of the house, ready for every good work.

We should be living a sanctified life, a holy life, set apart for God.

This is only done through accepting Christ into your heart, but also living for him every day, cleansing ourselves of any sin and anything dishonourable.

2 Peter 1:10 (NIV) 'So, friends, confirm God's invitation to you, his choice of you. Don't put it off; do it now. Do this, and you'll have your life on a firm footing, the streets paved and the way wide open into the eternal kingdom of our Master and Savior, Jesus Christ.'