

John 17:17 - 19 (NASB)

¹⁷“Sanctify them in the truth; **Your word is truth.**

¹⁸“As You sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world.

¹⁹“For their sakes I sanctify Myself, that they themselves also may be **sanctified in truth.**

Cleansed by the Word

“**Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.**” (NKJV) *Here is what this means:*

1. *The truth found in God’s Word accomplishes our sanctification.*
2. *The truth of God’s saving love sets into motion God’s sanctifying work in us.*
3. *The sharing of (witnessing, teaching, etc.) God’s truth has a sanctifying effect in our lives.*

John 15:3 (KJV)

³Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.

Psalms 119:9 - 11 (NLT)

⁹ How can a young person stay pure? **By obeying your word.**

¹⁰ I have tried hard to find you— don’t let me wander from your commands.

¹¹ I have **hidden your word in my heart**, that I might not sin against you.

Job 23:12 (KJV) ¹²Neither have I gone back from the commandment of his lips; I have esteemed the **words of his mouth more than my necessary food.**

God’s truth has been given to us in three “editions”:

1. His Word is truth (John 17:17);
2. His Son is the truth (John 14:6);
3. His Spirit is the truth (1 John 5:6).

This Truth touches every part of our inner person.

- With the mind, we *learn* God’s truth through the Word.
- With the heart, we *love* God’s truth, His Son.
- With the will, we yield to the Spirit and *live* God’s truth day by day.

It takes all three for a balanced experience of sanctification.

Psalms 119:105 (KJV) ¹⁰⁵ **Thy word is a lamp unto my feet**, and a light unto my path.

Nehemiah 8:8 (NLT) ⁸They read from the Book of the Law of God and **clearly explained the meaning of what was being read**, helping the people understand each passage.

Nehemiah 8:12 (NLT) ¹²So the people went away to eat and drink at a festive meal, to share gifts of food, and to celebrate with great joy because **they had heard God’s words and understood them.**

Acts 17:11 (ESV) ¹¹Now these Jews were more noble than those in Thessalonica; they received the word with **all eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily** to see if these things were so.

The magnificence of God's Word!

Ezra 7:10 (NLT)

¹⁰This was because Ezra had **determined to study and obey the Law of the LORD** and to teach those decrees and regulations to the people of Israel.

2 Timothy 2:15 (KJV)

¹⁵Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, **rightly dividing the word of truth.**

Hebrews 4:12 (KJV)

¹²For **the word of God is quick**, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and *is* a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Revelation 19:13 (KJV)

¹³And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and **his name is called The Word of God.**

John 1:1 - 3 (KJV)

¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and **the Word was God.**

²The same was in the beginning with God.

³All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

Psalms 138:2 (NASB)

² I will bow down toward Your holy temple
And give thanks to Your name for Your lovingkindness and Your truth;
For **You have magnified Your word according to all Your name.**

Psalms 138:2 (NLT)

² I bow before your holy Temple as I worship.
I praise your name for your unfailing love and faithfulness;
for your promises are backed by all the honor of your name.

Monday Morning Moment:

Sanctification is simply the process of loving sin less and less and loving God more and more!

EZEKIEL 3:1 - 3 (NASB)

¹THEN HE SAID TO ME, "SON OF MAN, EAT WHAT YOU FIND; EAT THIS SCROLL, AND GO, SPEAK TO THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL."

²SO I OPENED MY MOUTH, AND HE FED ME THIS SCROLL.

³HE SAID TO ME, "SON OF MAN, FEED YOUR STOMACH AND FILL YOUR BODY WITH THIS SCROLL WHICH I AM GIVING YOU." THEN I ATE IT, AND IT WAS SWEET AS HONEY IN MY MOUTH.

Hebrews 4:2 (KJV)

²For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: **but the word preached did not profit them**, not being mixed with faith in them that heard *it*.