

God the Son: How Does Jesus Christ Sanctify Human Beings?

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. (Matt 5:17, ESV)

What is the legal basis for Jesus Christ's work of sanctification?

44) Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." 45) Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, 46) and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, 47) and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. (Luke 24:44-47, ESV)

19) And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." 20) And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. (Luke 22:19-20, ESV)

How does Jesus Christ work on Non-Believers?

3) This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, 4) who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. 5) For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, 6) who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. (1 Tim 2:3-6, ESV)

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14) For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified. 15) And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying, 16) "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, declares the Lord: I will put my laws on their hearts, and write them on their minds,"

17) then he adds, "I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more." 18) Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin. (Heb 10:14-18, ESV)

4) But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, 5) to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. 6) And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" 7) So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God. (Gal 4:4-7, ESV)

16) And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, 17) even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you. 18) "I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. 19) Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. 20) In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. 21) Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him." (John 14:16-17, ESV)

17) Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. 18) All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; 19) that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. 20) Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. (2 Cor 5:17-20, ESV)