

# ***Washed, Sanctified, Justified***

**Scripture: 1 Corinthians 6:9-11**

**1 Corinthians 6:9-11 KJV** <sup>9</sup>Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, <sup>10</sup>Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. <sup>11</sup>And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

## **Introduction**

The Corinthians were known to be the most immoral, unethical, unrestrained people of the ancient world. Indeed ... a person who was known to be unscrupulous or immoral in other parts of the world were often referred to as "Corinthian".

But Paul had seen a change in the Christian believers in Corinth. That change had occurred because:

## **I. They had been washed in the blood of Jesus**

**1 John 1:7 KJV** <sup>7</sup>But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

- A. It is the blood that purifies the body
- B. The best detergent--better than Tide, Cheer
- C. Jesus blood washes away our past

## **II. They had been justified and placed in right relationship with God**

**Acts 10:14-15 KJV** <sup>14</sup>But Peter said, Not so, Lord; for I have never eaten any thing that is common or unclean. <sup>15</sup>And the voice *spake* unto him again the second time, What God hath cleansed, *that* call not thou common.

- A. Counted just in the sight of God
- B. No guilt is charged against us
- C. We are free to walk as a **CHILD OF GOD**

## **III. They had been sanctified for His service**

**2 Timothy 2:21 KJV** <sup>21</sup>If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto

honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, *and* prepared unto every good work.

- A. Prepared for a new life
- B. Given a new identity
- C. Given the capacity to serve God

## **Conclusion**

Your past is your past. But in Christ, you can have a future that is totally different from your past. In Him, you are a new creature. In Him, you have a completely new identity.