Sunday, January 17, 2021

The Scripture Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

¹ Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes, ² To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴ I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵ that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—⁶ even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—⁷ so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸ who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

The Sermon

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The Sanctified Church God's Church: A Called Community of Differents

According the Westminster Shorter Catechism,

Q. 35. What is sanctification? A. Sanctification is the work of God's free grace, whereby we are renewed in the whole man after the image of God, and are enabled more and more to die unto sin, and live unto righteousness.

- I. 4 Senses of Sanctification
 - A. Covenantal Sanctification
 - B. Past or Definite or Definitive Sanctification
 - C. Present or Progressive Sanctification
 - D. Future or Ultimate sanctification
- II. Paul's Meaning of Definite Sanctification
 - A. Definite Sanctification means a decisive break
 - B. Definite Sanctification means a fixed in-grafting
 - C. Definite Sanctification means a specific trajectory
 - D. Definite Sanctification means an infinite endowment
- III. Jesus, the Sanctified One For their sakes, I sanctify myself, John 17:19