

## The Doctrine of Perfection

Foundational Scripture. Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God, of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment. Heb 6:1-2

### A. Doctrine of Perfection

1. Jn 17:20, 21 Perfection is agreement with & obedience to God which leads to oneness with Him.
2. Gen 3 Adam was obedient to God, fellowshiped with Him & walked in His glory until the Fall.
3. John 5:19 Jesus said/did only what the Father said and did; and He was made perfect.
4. Rev 4 In Heaven, all are perfectly obedient to God.
5. Matt 6:10 Today God wants His Will to be done on earth as it is in Heaven.
6. 1 Jn 4:16 God is love; and he that dwells in love dwells in God, and God in him.

### B. Perfection before Grace

1. Gen 1:28 Adam was a living soul, son of God, made in the image and likeness of God, covered with the anointing of God and having dominion over the earth and all on it.
2. Gen 5:24 Enoch walked with God (in agreement) and he was not, for God took him.
3. Gen 6:9 Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and he walked with God.
4. Gen 17:1 Abraham was ninety years old and nine and the LORD appeared to him and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect.
5. 1 Ki 11:4 Solomon's heart was not perfect with the LORD his God, as was the heart of David.
6. 2 Ki 2:11 Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven.

### C. Perfection under Grace

1. You are dead to sin.
  - a) Col 2:13-14 And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, has He quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses; Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross.
  - b) 2 Cor 5:21 You are the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus.
  - c) Rom 6:11 Reckon yourself dead to sin but alive to God through Jesus Christ.
  - d) Rom 6:6-8 Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with *him*, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. (Rom 6:4 We are buried with Jesus by baptism into death) He that is dead is freed from sin. Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him.
2. Perfection belongs to you.
  - a) Heb 7:11 If therefore perfection were by the Levitical priesthood, what further need was there that another priest should rise after the order of Melchisedec?
  - b) Heb 10:1 For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect (G5048).
  - c) Heb 10:14 For by one offering he hath perfected (G5048) for ever them that are sanctified.
  - d) 1 Pe 5:10 But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, establish, strengthen, settle you.
3. Jesus was made perfect for you.
  - a) Heb 2:10 For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect (G5048) through sufferings.

- b) Heb 5:9 And being made perfect (G5048), he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him.
  - c) Luk 13:32 And he said unto them, Go ye, and tell that fox, Behold, I cast out devils, and I do cures to day and to morrow, and the third day I shall be perfected (G5048).
  - d) Heb 7:25 Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever lives to make intercession for them.
4. You are called to be perfect.
- a) 2Ch 16:9 For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him.
  - b) Php 3:15 As many as be perfect, be thus minded.
  - c) Col 1:28 Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus.
  - d) 2Ti 3:17 That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.
  - e) Heb 13:21 Make you perfect in every good work to do his will.
  - f) Jas 1:4 But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect (G5046) and entire, wanting nothing.
  - g) Mat 5:48 Be ye therefore perfect (G5046), even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.
5. You are made perfect by the Holy Spirit.
- a) Gal 3:3 Are ye so foolish? having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh?
  - b) Eph 4:13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ.
  - c) Heb 12:23 ..... and to the spirits of just men made perfect.
  - d) Joh 17:23 I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect (G5048) in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.
  - e) 2Co 12:9 My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness.
  - f) 1Jn 4:17 Herein is our love made perfect (G5048), that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.
  - g) Eph 3:19 And to know the love of Christ, which passes knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.
6. You achieve perfection by partnering with the Holy Spirit.
- a) Rev 3:2 Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect before God.
  - b) 1Ki 8:61 Let your heart therefore be perfect with the LORD our God, to walk in his statutes, and to keep his commandments, as at this day.
  - c) Psa 138:8 The LORD will perfect that which concerns me: thy mercy, O LORD, endures for ever: forsake not the works of thine own hands.
  - d) Jas 3:2 For in many things we offend all. If any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect (G5046) man, and able also to bridle the whole body.
  - e) 2Co 7:1 Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, **perfecting holiness** in the fear of God.
  - f) Eph 4:11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;  
Eph 4:12 For the **perfecting of the saints**, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:
  - g) 1Jn 3:2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.  
1Jn 3:3 And every man that hath this hope in him **purifies himself**, even as he is pure.

**Note:** Strong's G5046 Teleios - complete, mature; with variation completeness, perfect.  
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