

## Unshakable Truth - Part 3 - NOTES

“Unshakable” means “Possessing a faith so firm and strong that it cannot be changed, weakened, or destroyed.

The Bible is the Truth of God and it’s our standard.

*All Scripture is inspired by God and beneficial for teaching, for rebuke, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man or woman of God may be fully capable, equipped for every good work.”*

*2 Timothy 3:16-17 NASB*

Without Scripture as our standard, we are left to define truth for ourselves. But with it, we gain God’s wisdom for every decision, season, and challenge.

“Making the Bible our standard means we don’t just admire its wisdom—we live it”

*John 17:17 NIV “Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth.”*- God’s Word doesn’t just contain truth—it is truth.

**CHANGED** The Word of God acts as a powerful agent for change, transforming believer’s lives when it is accepted and acted upon.

Our capacity and capability in spiritual matters should be measured by and based on the **PROMISES OF GOD**.

True sanctification (being set apart for God) comes through the ministry of the Word of God.

. Rom. 8:30 “whom He justified, He also glorified”

**NEW - Nutshell: it is both a one-time act at salvation and ongoing process of spiritual growth.**

**Positional Sanctification:**

**Occurs instantly at salvation, where the believer is set apart to God and justified.**

***Hebrews 10:14 “ For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being sanctified”***

***1 Peter 2:10 NIV“ Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.”***

**Progressive Sanctification:**

**This is the active, lifelong journey of practical growth, where the Holy Spirit enables believers to put sin to death and “become more like Jesus**

**Becoming in our behaviour what we are already in our identity”**

**You love sin less, and love God more. You want to serve Him and be a blessing to others.**

***Phil. 2:12b-13 NIV “—continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.”***

**How does progressive sanctification take place?**

**Wiersbe: God’s truth has been given to us in three ways...His Word is truth, His Son is Truth, His Spirit his truth.**

**NEW - Sanctification demonstrates the urgency to be emptied out of anything that impairs against being a useful vessel for God’s glory.**

***Ephesians 5:15-19 NIV “Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord’s will is. Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord,”***

**Being Spirit Filled - Being Word Filled is how we will experience true Sanctification.**

***Remember...He works in us through the agency of the Spirit of God by means of the Truth of His Word. Truth demands a response...we are to work out that which God has worked in us.***

***What has hindered this process in our lives?***

***Luke 8:8 The one who has ears to hear, let him hear.***

**Hearing means listening with spiritual understanding and receptivity.**

**He defines four responses to the Gospel ...closed heart, shallow hearts, distracted hearts, and productive, obedient hearts.**

**Tony Evans: the success of the seed, has nothing to do with the seed itself.**

**If God’s Word doesn’t appear to be working in your life, you need to check the ground that it landed on**

**When an unbeliever hardens his heart against the gospel...**

**When a believer hardens his heart against a specific truth of God's Word, he is susceptible to satanic deception.**

**NEW -(a distortion of truth, causing people to doubt God, believe lies, and act in disobedience)**

***Luke 8:18 "So take care how you listen; for whoever has, to him more will be given; and whoever does not have, even what he thinks he has will be taken away from him."***