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Even as at now, there are still very much saints on the earth unless we want to deceive ourselves. There are men and women that had given all their life to the course of Jesus and God's kingdom. It's good to note that only the heaven-on-earth will make heaven at last. Until you become a living heaven, you cannot make it there. You can't be light and be approved of darkness. For us to find the right company and set a gauge for our lives this edition of Voices from Zion is written Titled: CERTIFIED BY OTHER CHRISTIANS

***Ye are witnesses, and God also, how holily and justly and unblameably We behaved ourselves among you that believe:*** 1 Thessalonians 2:10

It's good to know that Holiness, Godliness and sanctification are not hidden virtues of the kingdom. Whoever you are, your acts are noticeable by those around you. So until your righteousness can be testified of by other true believers, you are not there yet. The scriptures above points out the following;

**Holly:** you must behave holy to be a candidate of holiness. Holiness to heaven is not abstract but very practical. The Bible says 1 John 3:7 ***Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous.*** Your path, your words and characteristics must be disciplined for holiness. Jesus said ***Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.*** Matthew 5:48 So your holiness is important to God. Many believers wanted to look like (resemble) God in wealth, wisdom and greatness but very few wanted to be holy as he is, whereas holiness remains the foundation on which every other virtue are built. Any Christian is expected to put on the cloak of right acts and live a true life not false. The gap between worldliness and Godliness is getting wider each day. How do we behave holy?

1. **Put The Fruit Of The Spirit Into Practice:** Galatians 5:22-25 ***But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, \* Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. \* And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. \* If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.*** That will help you to live right and see life in God's own perspective. Until you choose to walk with God things may never go right with you. Trying to walk with God in the flesh is impossible, once the flesh is crucified, you will be free from lust.
2. **What Does God Says About It?:** this will also help us to be holy. Once you know that God is not in agreement with it, then you shouldn't do it. It's good to use the scripture as our guide. Psalms 119:105 ***Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.*** You can never behave holy to God's taste following the moral words of men, it will only confuse you the more. The word of God offers instruction for right living and the power to fulfill his word. John 6:63 ***It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.***

**Justly:** the word 'justly' means being just or righteous. It's good to note that the justly are always needed by God. God never gives kingdom project to any unjust man. If you must be able to handle great things for God, then scripture demands that you must be sanctified. Your being just must be certified by other saints because you can't hide from them. Genesis:6:6-22 ***And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart. \* And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them. \* But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD. \* These are the generations of Noah: Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God...***  Noah was a just man, he walked with God and could handle God's project. The reason why many are not doing great works for God and their stars are not shining is because they are not just. Be just, then you will be a tool in the hand of God. In Matthew 1:18-25 Joseph the just had a great privilege to father our Lord Jesus Christ. Even when Mary his wife was found with a child in her womb, haven't not had each other he was still behaving just, when God instructed him he keep the woman untouched, undefiled till she bare her first son, Jesus. The just do have favour with God, yet it's good to note that been just is a personal responsibility. It takes reasoning aright and behaving accordingly to be just.

**Unblameably:** also means been perfect, some are like Saul the king of Israel, they cannot be trusted. Saul was blamed even by the Prophet not only the Israelites. So many believers reluctantly fulfill their assignment and not play their role well even in the assembly where they worship. Human may blame you, but if God queries you once, you might pay for it with your life. Be free from the spirit of dominance. So it's expected of every believer to do all things given and be certified by other believers for job well done.

### **Approval of Godliness:**

The word approval also represents certified. We have three major approval of our godliness among many others:

1. God
2. Believers

3. The ungodly.

**Psalms 1:1-6** *Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper. The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away. Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous. For the LORD knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.*

You can't be certified godly by God and not know. Prove of being certified:

- By God:** you will be used of God in so many ways, you will also be used of God to reprove others that are not holy. God's approval will win for you all heavenly treasures you can think of. Job who got God's approval became the greatest in his days. Job 1:8-10
- Believers:** Once other believers certified you, they will like you naturally and will not be afraid of you. 1 Timothy 4:7 **But refuse profane and old wives' fables, and exercise thyself rather unto godliness.** Once we see your actions and are convince of Holy Spirit in you, then you are always welcome.
- The Ungodly:** They also know those that belong to their side, so if you are godly, the ungodly will naturally repel you and will not want to associate with you. It's good to show the Godhead inside of us. **Nevertheless I tell you the truth, it is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: Of sin, because they believe not on me;** John 16:7-9

The truth is that there is no place under heaven where battle cannot arise among believers and unbelievers are not exempted. Some had from happenings in the church enter prison. Some had suffer in the hand of their brethren because of not been courteous. Strife, hatred and brutality had occur because some doesn't know how to behave. There was a case in a church, a woman stood up in the congregation and went to the altar and slapped the pastor, general overseer while preaching and left the church. She said the man of God was saying rubbish about her. We need to know that showing love without truth is hypocrisy, but speaking the truth without love is brutality. You have to be courteous in your words and act because there are lawyers and some law enforcement agency looking for businesses to do. I pray you shall not fall a victim in Jesus name. Once you behave holy, justly and unblameably, no law can catch you! See you next time.

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