Saints and Faithful Brethren

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1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, 2 To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ who are in Colosse: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 3 We give thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you, 4 since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of your love for all the saints

From a Greek word (hagios) – consecrated to God, holy, sacred, pious, separated for a special purpose or cause

Acts 9:13 Then Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much harm he has done to Your saints in Jerusalem.

Acts 9:32 Now it came to pass, as Peter went through all parts of the country, that he also came down to the saints who dwelt in Lydda.

Acts 26:10 This I also did in Jerusalem, and many of the saints I shut up in prison, having received authority from the chief priests; and when they were put to death, I cast my vote against them.

Philippians 4:21 Greet every saint in Christ Jesus. The brethren who are with me greet you.

NOTE: Always in the plural – a group – set apart for the Lord

Godly Character

Romans 16:2 that you may receive her in the Lord in a manner worthy of the saints, and assist her in whatever business she has need of you; for indeed she has been a helper of many and of myself also.

Ephesians 4:12 for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ,

Godly Character

Ephesians 5:3 But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, <u>as is fitting for saints</u>;

1 Corinthians 1:2 To the church of God which is at Corinth, to those who are <u>sanctified</u> in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all who in every place <u>call on the name of Jesus</u> Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours:

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Wrong Views

- Dead for many years, 2 miracles they did
- Super Christian, extra special, above most

Grammar – a conjuntion – ties two disticnt things together

Husband AND Wife

Repent AND be Baptized – Acts 2:38

Believes AND is Baptized – Mark 16:16

FAITHFUL BRETHREN

- "Faithful" 53 times in the NT
- 1 Corinthians 4:2 Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful.
- 2 Timothy 2:2 And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.

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1 Peter 5:12 By Silvanus, our faithful brother as I consider him, I have written to you briefly, exhorting and testifying that this is the true grace of God in which you stand.

Matthew 25:21 His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'

FAITHFUL BRETHREN

Saint = a Christian

If you are a Christian (saint) I am glad

ALL CHRISTIANS ARE SAINTS, BUT ARE YOU ALSO FAITHFUL?