



GRACE LEADERSHIP TRAINING  
Class 11: Positional Truth

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Class Summary: This lesson focuses on the believers position and reality in Christ from regeneration to glorification.

**1. Review**

**2. Why are 5 classes on the Christian life necessary?**

- a) TBPIC is immediately applicable to our personal lives
- b) TBPIC is indispensably important in our efforts as disciple makers
- c) TBPIC is our present experience of life as a local church
- d) TBPIC is essential for understanding our spiritual growth

What is "positional truth?" In your own words, briefly write down what comes to your mind when you hear this phrase?

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Respond to Simi's question: \_\_\_\_\_

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### 3. Personal Testimony: Encountering Positional Truth

#### a) Objective truth: Truth that depends on God alone

- Big Idea: Salvation truth / Union with Christ
- Has very little to do with what I feel.
- Has everything to do with what God has \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.


#### b) Experiential truth: Truth that depends partly on my effort

- Big Idea: Sanctification truth / Yielding to the Spirit
- Has much more to do with with what I feel.
- Has much to do with \_\_\_\_ of what God has said or done.


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#### 4. Development in the text: Believers “In Christ”

a) New Entity:

- Ephesians 3:1-6 \_\_\_\_\_
- Matthew 16:15-18 \_\_\_\_\_
- John 14:1-6 \_\_\_\_\_
- John 14:16-20 \_\_\_\_\_
- John 17:13-23 \_\_\_\_\_

b) New Language:

- Acts 5:14 \_\_\_\_\_
- Paul's greetings: 1 Cor. 1:2, Eph. 1:1, Phil. 1:1, Col. 1:1
- Paul's salutations in Roman's 16
  - Vs. 1, Phoebe: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Vs. 3, Priscilla/Aquila: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Vs. 7, Andronicus and Junias: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Vs. 8, Ampliatus: \_\_\_\_\_

c) New Reality:

- 2 Cor. 16-17 \_\_\_\_\_
- 1 Cor. 12:12-13 \_\_\_\_\_
- Gal. 1:22 \_\_\_\_\_
- 1 Cor. 3:1 \_\_\_\_\_
- Eph. 5:22-33 \_\_\_\_\_
- Phil. 3:7-9 \_\_\_\_\_

## **5. The Believer's Union with Christ: "Position in Christ"**

**Key Scriptures: 1 Corinthians 12:12-13, Romans 6:1-11, Galatians 2:20**

a) What is union with Christ?

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b) When was I united with Christ?

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c) How was I united with Christ?

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d) Where was I united with Christ?

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e) How long will I be united with Christ?

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## **6. The Believer's Communion with Christ: "Fellowship in Christ"**

**Key Scriptures: Hebrews 10:19-25 Galatians 3:27-28, 1 John 1:1-10**

a) What is my communion with Christ?

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b) What is my communion with others in Christ?

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## **7. The Question of Sin**

a) How does sin affect my position in Christ?

Scripture:

b) How does sin affect my journey of sanctification?

Scripture:

**8. Other theological systems that do not consistently distinguish between salvation and sanctification truth.**

a) Calvinism

b) Lordship Salvation

c) Reformed Soteriology

d) Bethel (New Apostolic Reformation)

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