

## **Doctrine - Separation**

Separation from sin is clearly called for throughout the Old and New Testaments, and that the Scriptures clearly indicate that in the last days apostasy and worldliness shall increase (2Corinthians 6:14-7:1; 2Timothy 3:1-5).

Out of deep gratitude for the undeserved grace of God granted to us and because our glorious God is so worthy of our total consecration, all the saved should live in such a manner as to demonstrate our adoring love to God and so as not to bring reproach upon our Lord and Savior. We also teach that separation from any association with religious apostasy, and worldly and sinful practices is commanded of us by God (Romans 12:1-2; 1Corinthians 5:9-13; 2Corinthians 6:14-7:1; 1John 2:15-17; 2John 9-11).

Believers should be separated unto our Lord Jesus Christ (2Thessalonians 1:11-12; Hebrews 12:1-2) and affirm that the Christian life is a life of obedient righteousness demonstrated by a beatitude attitude (Matthew 5:2-12) and a continual pursuit of holiness (Romans 12:1-2; 2Corinthians 7:1; Hebrews 12:14; Titus 2:11-14; 1John 3:1-10).