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The teaching of Apostle Peter and Relevance to The Christian Religious Education in Bantul Regency and Gunung Kidul Regency Yogyakarta

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Abstract

God's chosen people are people who have been redeemed by God Himself through the death of the Lord Jesus Christ on the cross by shedding His blood so that His chosen people can live holy, obedient and pleasing to Him. Thus God's chosen people reveal the face of God Himself. God's chosen people are a light to this dark world. God's chosen people are chosen by God to have fellowship with Him. This is a glorious gift of God where the created can approach its Great and Glorious Creator. In this study, the method used is quantitative with a survey method through a questionnaire. The results showed that throughout his epistle, Peter lays out what it means to be God's chosen who proclaim Jesus' excellencies by way of several exhortations. Accordingly, Peter encourages the new covenant church to live in holiness like redemption accomplished for them in the death and resurrection of Jesus (1 Pet 1:3, 18–19). It is because of their new birth that they are to abstain from a sinful life, and instead long for a grace-filled, wisdom-like life (1 Pet 2:1–3).

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Introduction

This election is said to be according to God's plan. Plan here can be understood in two ways *First*, as knowledge, vision, or understanding made before something happens, and that something will happen. This kind of pre-existing knowledge rests with God, who with only one powerful glance sees everything that has been, is, and will ever be. *Second*, plans sometimes mean decisions, decisions, and agreements. By taking this meaning, the meaning here is, chosen according to the decisions, decrees, and free gifts of God. Chosen Ones: This expression is translated from a term usually used as a designation for the nation of Israel. This term indicates that they have been called and chosen by God to be His people. The term "chosen people" was originally used for the nation of Israel. But now it is also used as a term for Christians. This means that God has chosen all Christians as the New Israel, that is, God's new people. In some languages that do not have the passive form, the chosen people can be translated into: God (our Father) chooses you to be His people or people that God chooses. In some languages, the meaning of "to choose" must be clearly stated in the translation. To be God's chosen people but their lives are not in accordance with God's will. There are still Christians who live according to their desires even though God has given them salvation. The elect are those whom God has appointed to be blessed with salvation (Purwasasi *et al.*, 2021).

God has chosen His chosen people by determining whom He will choose. But there must be a right response to enter the election of God so that they can enter into the chosen people of God that He wants. The elect must have a heart that honors God and respects God who has chosen His people. Even have an honest heart attitude and can be trusted by God and others. By having such an attitude word "choose" here does not mean sorting.

The term chosen people is usually used for the Israelites as God's chosen people, but after the Lord Jesus Christ atoned for human sins, those who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ are also called elect or Christians, which means followers of Christ.

The purpose of God's election of His people is so that His chosen people will be blameless before Him. God's chosen people must respond to God's will which requires His people to be holy and holy so that His people are worthy and pleasing to Him. Many Christians claim, of course, His chosen people will not live carelessly or their lives are not random. Because God's chosen people serve the living God without the slightest blemish.

God's chosen people are people whose lives always imitate Christ. Christ as an example in all aspects of his life. His chosen people strive hard to obey their Creator, lest the Maker be disappointed because of the actions of His people that are not in accordance with God's will. Everyone will be accountable for their actions before their Creator. His life always strives to live a righteous, holy, perfect and pleasing life before God.

As God's chosen people, we should not worry about their personal interests but how to fight to be pleasing before God and in front of others. Like a soldier does not care about his personal needs but how he pleases in front of his commander.

God's chosen people still hope in God even though the situation is difficult and impossible, but still pray and hope to God that God is able to do great things beyond the ability of His chosen people. Let as His chosen people never give up in accompanying God because God's joy is the strength of His people.

Literature review

Chosen For Redemption

The people who are chosen, according to God's plan, our Father is an election made to an office or position. God from the beginning has chosen people to be saved in a sanctifying Spirit and in believing truth. This is the election spoken of here, which means God's gracious decree or decree to save some, and bring them, through Christ, by appropriate means, to eternal life.

This election is said to be the election that God wants according to His plan. The plan here can be understood in two ways, namely: First, as knowledge, vision, or understanding that is made before something happens, and that something will happen. This kind of pre-existing knowledge rests with God, who only with one powerful glance sees everything that has been, is now, and will ever be. But such "pre-knowledge" is not the cause of why something is this way or that, even though it is bound to happen. Second, plans sometimes mean decisions, decisions, and agreements. By taking this meaning, the meaning here is, chosen according to the decisions, decrees, and free gifts of God.

According to the plan of God our Father, what must be understood with the Father here is the first Person of the glorious and great Trinity. In the case of human redemption, the matter of election is more primarily associated with the Father, just as the atonement is associated with the Son, and the matter of sanctification is associated with the Holy Spirit.

"For you know that you have been redeemed from the futile way of life that you inherited from your fathers, not with anything perishable, nor with silver or gold, but with precious blood, which is the blood of Christ, which is like the blood of a child. a lamb without blemish and without blemish (vv. 18-19)."

The Apostle Peter reminds that the elect have been redeemed or bought back with a ransom paid to the Father. The price paid to redeem the elect was not in mortal goods, nor in silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ. You have redeemed the Greek lutroo; to liberate, to liberate. In other words, Christ has redeemed or freed His elect from a vain way of life. The anastrophe Greek way of life; behavior, behavior, behavior. The vain Greek mataios; futility, vanity, nothingness. So Christ redeems His elect from vain conduct, behavior or behavior, futility or emptiness.

According to Erastus Sabdono, redemption by the blood of the Lord Jesus on the cross is a way of human justification.

The death of the Lord Jesus cancels all lawsuits against human beings who have been guilty. With the sacrifice of the Lord Jesus, anyone can no longer accuse humans of being guilty, because the Lord Jesus has taken the place of humans as the guilty party (2 Cor. 5:1; Gal. 3:13). Sinful humans are declared innocent because the Lord Jesus has taken the place of humans on the cross. Thus, as people who are declared innocent, with courage, we can approach the Most Holy God and the Lord Jesus is willing to be the Mediator. In this case, there is no salvation without the sacrifice of the Lord Jesus Christ. There is no reconciliation or peace with God without the cross (Andrian, 2020).

The redemption that Christ has made must be a strong and constant impetus to live a holy and God-fearing life. The Lord God expects His chosen people to live according to the word of God that is already known and understood because the righteous live by believing in the words of Christ. His chosen people were redeemed neither with silver nor gold, nor with any mortal goods in this world, which can redeem only one soul. Gold or silver and other valuables often become a snare, a temptation, a trap, or an obstacle to the salvation of His chosen people, but simply cannot buy and acquire them. They are mortal, perishable, and perishable and therefore cannot or cannot redeem an immortal soul.

According to Susilo Susanto, it is Jesus who bears all the punishment for our sins on the cross, so that we are justified by God. Why only Jesus can bear our sins? My answer is because Jesus was sinless. Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit. Can other humans bear our sins? My answer is no. Because only the innocent can pay the debt of our sins. We have been redeemed by the most precious blood: the spotless and unblemished blood of Christ (Susanto, 2020).

The blood of Jesus Christ is man's only redeeming price. Human redemption is real, not figurative. His chosen people are bought with a price, and the price is worth the purchase, namely the precious blood of Jesus Christ. That blood is the blood of an innocent or guilty person. Immaculate and blameless Lamb, symbolized by the Passover Lamb. And that blood is the blood of a Person of inestimable value, for He is the Son of God, and therefore it is called the blood of the Son of God.

Christ's design in shedding His most precious blood was to redeem His chosen people, not only from eternal misery in the hereafter, but also from wasted behavior or life in this world. Wasteful behavior is empty behavior, frivolous, a waste of time, and does not bring God and a good name. People's behavior may manifest itself in the form of worship, and in the name of customs and traditions that have existed since time immemorial, but in the end the behavior is just in vain. The Jews can say a lot about this, with all their outward worship. But their behavior was so vain that only the blood of Christ could redeem them from it. After being chosen for redemption, the Apostle Peter explained that as God's chosen people, they were also redeemed from a vain way of life.

Redeemed From a Vain Way of Living

The word redeemed in Greek "lutroo"; it means redeemed, liberated. Way of life in Greek "anastrophe"; means behavior, way of life, behavior, behavior. The vain in Greek "mataios"; which means futility, vanity, nothingness. So being redeemed from a vain way of life is that Christ has redeemed His chosen people to free His people from useless behavior or empty actions that have no significance in the eyes of God. There are several meanings of redeemed from a vain way of life

according to the NKJV: “redeemed from your aimless behavior”, NRSV: “redeemed from vain ways”, and TEV: “redeemed from the worthless nature of life” (Armand, 2011)

This term “redeemed” reflects a Pattern of the Old Testament “buy someone back” from poverty or slavery. There are two Hebrew terms (ransom, redeem). *The first*, has the added connotation of being “purchased back” by a close relative. *Second*, Jesus Christ is a close relative who has purchased forgiveness with His own life (Dyrness, 2004).

Jonar TH Situmorang MA, “Agorazo” means to buy, pay for, give up something as payment for something else; common business terms. This word can be found in 1 Corinthians 6:20; 7:23. The purchase price was the death of Jesus.

“Agorazo” The root word is agora, which means the market is wide and open. The theological term here is that man is in the world as a market for sin and God through Christ without sin buys sinners. Exagorazo has almost the same meaning as Agorazo”. It only gets a prefix, namely the word “eks” which means: out of. The theological meaning, bought out or removed from the market of sin. Not only bought from the market; what has been purchased is taken to the original owner’s place because that is where it really belongs. Lutroo is to free or release from the bondage of sin and be told to go as a sinner. This word can also be used to remove clothing or animals or captives. This word is usually associated with the ransom that must be paid as a condition for release or release. So, it means releasing after the ransom is received (Situmorang, 2021).”

God’s Chosen

God’s chosen people must live holy lives because they have been redeemed from the vain way of life of the past, namely living in idolatry as their ancestors did. God’s elect must be aware that the ransom price exceeds the value of silver or gold, namely the blood of God’s lamb, Jesus Christ himself. God saves His people from the bondage of the flesh and lives full of futility that will only lead to destruction. So, the purpose of God’s chosen people is to live holy because they do not want to waste the redemption of Christ that has been given to them. His chosen people have been freed from the bondage of slavery to sin, therefore His chosen people must no longer surrender themselves to the bondage of sin. If His chosen people are still living carelessly in sin, it is tantamount to insulting and denying Christ’s work on the cross. Holiness is the way of life of God’s chosen people who have experienced Christ’s atoning gift.

Witness Lee, “Today all the vain deeds of the world’s people are passed down from their ancestors, passed down from generation to generation, it’s hard to get away from them. The Lord on the cross accomplished the atonement, the blood He shed redeemed us for God, so that we may be delivered from the futile way of life from generation to generation, so that we may live freely in the divine holiness of God (Hotton, 2009).”

Praise be to the Lord Jesus Christ who has redeemed mankind from their sins. Christ has delivered His chosen people from the vain deeds that were handed down from their forefathers whose lives were not in accordance with God’s will and brought God’s judgment. But Christ has broken the evil deeds that he sent down so that His chosen people can live worthy and pleasing to the Lord God.

Othniel Yedidah, “While writing his letter to Christians, Peter reminded us that we have been redeemed from the vain way

of life that we inherited from our ancestors, including the seeds of pride. We inherit good and bad qualities from our ancestors. But thankfully, the blood of Jesus redeemed us from that inheritance. However, we must combat the root of pride that is hidden within us (Purwasasi *et al.*, 2021).”

A vain way of life means that this expression clearly means the way of life before becoming Christians, that is, the way of living according to the customs they inherited from their ancestors. Vain is translated from a word often used in the New Testament and associated with idols. This means they worshiped idols before becoming Christians. But here vain means that His chosen one's way of life was hopeless or pointless. What you inherit from your ancestors means that which is followed from your forefathers or what your ancestors did or the traditions of the past that are useless.

As fallen humans, prior to experiencing Christ's redemption, His chosen people were in a dire situation. “The whole world is in the power of the evil one” (John 5:19). In such a world, whatever one does, is good or evil: whoever the human is, honorable or lowly; the way of life that is taken is still in vain. The book of Ephesians says that His chosen people have no part in the promised provisions, without hope, and without God in the world (Ephesians 2:12). Thanks God! His chosen people have been redeemed from a vain way of life. His chosen people are a people of hope. His elect need to have a deep awareness of Christ's redemption.

Research methodology

Methodology is a very important foundation in a research. According to Arikunto, the research method is the method used by researchers in collecting research data, which is adjusted to the subject and object under study (Arikunto, 2014). Sasmoko, said that research methodology is a system of rules, principles and procedures that govern a scientific investigation (Sasmoko, 2003). The research methodology explains the relationship between theoretical ideas or synthesis of literature and field data, including assumptions and values that form the basis of research. So in conclusion, this research method uses quantitative research methods, namely research involving theories, hypotheses and determining subjects supported by data collection, data processing and data analysis before conclusions are made. In this study, the method used is quantitative with a survey method through a questionnaire or questionnaire. Through a questionnaire, researchers can examine or explore in depth the dependent variable (Y) which is called the dependent variable. This variable is developed by building the construct in depth to find dimensions and indicators called exogenous variables. Means in this study using a quantitative research design with a survey method. Quantitative research is research that is carried out through measuring instruments using objective and standard instruments and meets high standards of validity and reliability and is continued with statistical analysis so that the results can give meaning (Iskandar, 2013).

Survey research is research that is used on large and small populations, but the data used are population data to find relative events, distributions and relationships between variables studied by using a questionnaire (Sasmoko, 2003).

Sasmoko explained that there are three main characteristics of the survey, namely: First, information is collected from a large group of people to describe certain aspects or characteristics. Such as abilities, attitudes, beliefs, knowledge of the population. Second, information is collected through testing questions from a population. Third, the information is obtained

from the sample not the population (Sasmoko, 2003).

Results and discussion

Chosen To Sanctify

But be holy all your life as he is holy who called you (1 Peter 1:15). "You shall be" in Greek is "ginomai" which also means to be, to be born, to be made, to happen, to come. The word Holy in Greek is "hagios" which means holy, pure, holy. In Greek it is "en" which means in, in, with, in between. The word whole in Greek is pas which means every, all, everything, everyone. The Greek word for life is "anastrophe" which means behavior, way of life, behavior. "Who has called" in Greek is kaleo which means to call, to call, to invite, to collect. You Greek is public relations means to you, to you, to you, to you. So God calls His chosen people to be holy in every way they act just as He is holy (Drewes BF, 2011).

In this second dimension is Chosen to be sanctified. One of the purposes of God's chosen people to choose Him is that He chooses His chosen people and makes them holy. Because God is holy, His chosen people must live according to God's holy Person. Because without holiness it is impossible to see God. God can be seen, God can be experienced and God can be enjoyed if His chosen people are willing to pay the price, namely holy life. To live holy means to live without sinning anymore. A holy life means living only to do God's will because it is an act that pleases the Lord God (Hotton, 2009).

Be holy all your life. This is God's clear command to His chosen people. Three strong reasons based on God's grace in calling His chosen people, based on His commandments, in writing, and based on His example. Be holy, for I am holy. God's grace in calling sinners to be His chosen people is a strong and solid invitation to want to live a holy life. It is a great gift if His chosen people succeed in getting out of their sins and living in God's grace to live holy lives. God's holiness is accessible to His chosen people. In every aspect of the behavior of God's chosen people, God's chosen people must be based on God's holiness, meaning His chosen people must want to continue to live holy lives as God wants.

That is why Christ obeyed His Father until he died on the cross to do His Father's will. God's elect must imitate Christ who lives holy in the midst of this evil world. Even though His chosen people cannot be compared to Christ who never sinned, the spirit and passion of Christ can be imitated. God is perfectly holy, unchanging, and eternal, and must have a strong will to attain a Christlike state. Living in God's holiness means obliging His chosen people to attain God's holiness that is attainable or attainable.

Gerrit Cornelis van Niftrik, "When God made His covenant with man, then man was sanctified, meaning separated and separated to serve and obey Him. To the people of Israel-a weak and despicable and sinful nation-he gave a special position in the history and world of nations. The Christian Church cannot be anti-Jewish! For God has made His Covenant with this nation, and God does not regret the gift of grace and calling which is included in His Covenant (Rom. 11:29). Throughout all the centuries, Israel has been a visible sign, pointing to God's rule and dominion over the entire world and all nations (the existence of the Jewish nation was once mentioned as the most obvious "proof" for the existence of God!).

Likewise the Christian Church knows, that according to the Covenant which was made on Golgotha, he was “chosen” and “sanctified”, so that in this world it would be a sign indicating God's love and mercy (1 Pet. 2:9). Because of God's Covenant, the Church is a community that is very different from all other communities.

God made His Covenant with His chosen people, then His chosen people were sanctified, meaning separated and set apart to serve and obey Him so that His chosen people who were sanctified by Him could associate with Him so that His glory radiated out. through His chosen people.

Johannes Ludwing Chrysostomus Abineno, “The recognition of the Church as a “community of saints” would like to say, that the members of the Church are people chosen and consecrated by God to be used as instruments in His saving work. Their task is to proclaim the work of salvation—by word and deed—to mankind, especially to their brethren. It means that they are responsible for each other (Abineno, 2010).”

God's elect or members of the Church are people who are chosen and consecrated by God to be used as instruments in His saving work so that His elect can be witnesses of Christ through word and deed. True testimony is living according to the life of Christ. Offering the body as a living sacrifice, holy, and pleasing to God is true worship or a witness of life that is enjoyed by God and others.

Robert P. Borrong, “God's people are called, chosen and consecrated to save all nations (Gen. 12; Exod. 19:5-6). God's salvation is universal, applies to all creation, to life. Incarnation is life through death which leads to resurrection to new life (Rom 6:33-4). That is the history of salvation in Christ (John 10:110b; Rev. 22:1-5). Paradise regained (Borrong, 1998).”

God's salvation is only to redeem humans from their sins so that humans have hope to become His chosen people. Christ as the eldest of His brothers, His chosen people were redeemed so that they could become brothers for Christ.

"The Church is a community called, chosen, and consecrated to be a blessing to all nations, to be His instrument in saving the world, even the salvation of all creation."The church or the elect are called, chosen, and consecrated to be His blessing and instrument in proclaiming the gospel of the Kingdom of God so that people can acknowledge that Jesus is Lord and every knee should bow to worship Christ.

Holy Living By the Holy Spirit

Sanctified in Greek is "hagiasmos" means sanctification, state of holiness, holiness. By the Spirit in Greek is "pneuma" which means Spirit from God, Spirit or power, wind, breath.

God has prepared His chosen people to become a worthy people before Him by means that His people are holy and without blemish and without blemish. A holy people will continue to be holy until the Lord comes a second time to pick up His people. By living holy before Him His people deserve to reign together before Him and this is a great joy for His chosen people who want to live holy.

Witness Lee, the sanctification of the Spirit has two aspects. We need to know these two aspects and what they

accomplish. The first aspect of sanctification precedes justification, completes God's election, and brings God's elect to obedience and the sprinkling of blood for their justification. So, the aspect of the sanctification of the Spirit in this aspect is prior to justification through Christ's atonement. After justification, the Spirit continues to work to sanctify our dispositions. The order is this: God's election, the sanctification of the Spirit, justification, and then subjective sanctification. Few Christians have seen this. Many Christian teachers say that God's election comes first, then justification, then the sanctification of the Spirit. However, this does not take into account the two aspects of the sanctification of the Spirit, but only mentions the second aspect, the subjective sanctification of the Spirit. But before we can experience the first aspect of the sanctification of the Spirit, the work of sanctification takes place before justification (Zuck, 2011).

The sanctification of the Spirit in this aspect is before justification through Christ's atonement. After justification, the Spirit continues to work to sanctify the dispositions of His elect. The Holy Spirit is a Person given to His people to help His people to live righteous and holy lives before Him.

As God's chosen people who have to live holy lives that are not polluted by sin, the Lord Jesus said: you are holy just as your Father in heaven is holy. One of the characteristics of God's chosen people is that they do not defile themselves with unclean things. Learn to live holy and holy as God wants. Holy life is God's will, to be able to see God working in His people there is only one choice, namely to live holy like God who is holy. Without holiness no one can see God, to be able to see God His people must be holy and holy. As long as His people are still on this earth, they must have a strong desire and will to live holy before Him. When His people return to the Father's house, His people deserve to be with Him in eternity.

Teguh Bowo Sembodo; This age can be said to be an age that ignores God and ignores holy living. Living a holy life can be strange, labeled as old-fashioned, and not keeping up with the times. The teaching of holiness was seen as unreasonable or impossible. The important thing that we must understand is that our holiness is impossible for us to achieve or obtain by our means, strength and effort. Holiness is the work of the Holy Spirit just as salvation is the work of the Holy Spirit. We know we have two sins, namely sins of deeds and inheritance. The sins of deeds are solved by forgiveness. It happens in safety firsts. To clean up inherited sin, this requires cleansing or sanctification(Sihite, 2018).

As God's chosen people, sin must be put to death lest His people fall into sin. Because of Adam's sin, he was expelled from the Garden of Eden and because of the sin of the Lord Jesus, he was willing to die on the cross to atone for the sins of mankind. The wages of sin is death and separated from God forever that is why the Lord Jesus died to pay for the sins of mankind. Sin is like rust in an iron, if the rust is allowed to continue to stick to the iron, over time the iron will become porous until it is destroyed and cannot be repaired. Thus, if this sin is allowed to continue, it will gradually destroy His people so that His people cannot be repaired until finally His people perish forever. This is truly terrible and tragic. Repent God's people before it's too late. To be holy, His people must always live intimately with God with the aim that God's holiness fills His people. Never give up to live holy, it is indeed difficult to live holy but believe me by fighting hard the Holy Spirit will help and enable you to live holy before Him because the Holy Spirit is sealed in His people as a Helper.

The whole sanctification... is a great work followed by regeneration, by the Holy Spirit, with the only condition of faith... such faith is preceded by a solemn and full act of sanctification. This work has these different elements: First, the

complete extinction of the worldly mind, the total elimination of the principle of the birth of sin. Second, the communication of perfect love to the soul, and third, the dwelling of the Holy Spirit (Jonathan Alex Arianto, Asih Sumiwi Rachmani, 2020).

The Holy Spirit is the Helper for God's chosen people that the Father gives to His people. Through the help of the Holy Spirit, His people are enabled to destroy worldly thoughts, sins are completely or totally wiped out so that the Holy Spirit is worthy to live in the temple of His chosen people.

The result of sin is severe damage to the human soul so that the human soul experiences acute mental illness. Through full devotion and obedience to the Holy Spirit, the human soul slowly experiences healing, even at its peak, the human soul experiences perfection just as the Father is perfect and this is done by the blood of Christ and the miraculous help of the Holy Spirit.

Holy Living in Action

Live as obedient children and do not follow the passions that overwhelm you in your foolishness (1 Peter 1:14). Live as in Greek "hos" means like, because, when, while, so that, about. Children in Greek "teknon" means descendants, descendants, people, population of children, sons. "The obedient" in Greek "hupakoe" means obedience, obedience, conquer it. And "don't" in Greek "me" means really no, never, never, no. The word "obey" in Greek "suschematizo" means conformed to, shaped by, imitated, you become like. The word "lust" in Greek "epithumia" means desire, desire, longing, worldly lust. "Who rules over you" in Greek "homon" means your desires, your activities, your efforts, your deeds, your interests, your associations. "At the time" in Greek "en" means in, in, with, in between. The word "your folly" in Greek "agnoia" means ignorance, stupidity. "As obedient children, do not submit to your evil desires as when you were still living in your ignorance."

Reinhold Niebuhr, "In the New Testament two aspects of God's grace are described. First, in the doctrine of justification, grace is described as the power of God over man. God forgives man and overcomes the sinful elements in man's work. Second, in the doctrine of sanctification, grace is described as the power of God in man. God increases human love and strength (Ming *et al.*, 2021)."

The power of God that has been given to humans is a miraculous power which through this power can help sinful humans become sinless humans if the human is willing to fight hard to live holy and unblemished in the presence of the Lord God. Humans like this deserve to be God's chosen people.

Hendrikus Berkhof, "In justification, our relationship with God is restored. In sanctification, the influence of that relationship is manifested in our lives. We are cleansed from sin so that we can fight against sin. We are grafted into Christ so we can grow. We were adopted as children so that we might live as His children. However, justification and sanctification are not two separate events, but two aspects of one event, namely the renewal of our lives by the Holy Spirit (Jonathan Alex Arianto, Asih Sumiwi Rachmani, 2020).

Sanctification is a change in ourselves and in our character, not in our actions alone. The ultimate direction in our

character is increasingly determined by our relationship with God. Sanctification is God's holy work. But God's work cannot be separated from our efforts, but rather awakens and demands our efforts. Our holiness is a gift from God and also our duty. The apostle Peter wrote, "But you are... a holy nation" (1 Pet. 2:9); he also wrote "... be holy all your life as he is holy" (1 Pet. 1:15). So we have to give up and fight. First, we have to give up. We must open ourselves to the influence of the Holy Spirit who can build and sanctify our character. Second, we must fight.

Warren W. Wiersbe, "Justification is God's act of grace, by which He declares believing sinners righteous in Jesus Christ because of Christ's work on the cross. When you believe, Christ's righteousness is imputed, that is, "accounted for to you". Sanctification is God's work by which He imparts His righteousness and develops holy character and behavior in our lives. Right before God leads us to live holy lives before men. We are not saved by works or by faith plus works; we are saved by faith manifested in works (James 2:14-26) (Drane, 2016)."

The work of Jesus Christ on the cross gives hope to God's chosen people to become like Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ is a Man who has succeeded in pleasing His Father so that the Father in heaven has many children like His Son Jesus Christ. Because Jesus Christ as the firstborn Son while His chosen people are His brothers and sisters.

Dr. Binsar M. Gultom, "At the Last Judgment God will show your life the verdict regarding what sin you have committed, in thought, word, and deed. So, the threat of the Lord God here, when the time comes for Jesus to act in his power as Supreme Judge of His royal throne in the final judgment, you will perish horribly. So the relationship of repentance and salvation, according to the Book of Acts, is specifically to focus on repentance in relation to salvation. If you only repent for a moment, then do evil again, you will not be saved, will not go to heaven, because the Spirit of God is not on him. We can learn this from Acts 2:38: Repent so that you may receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. So when you receive the gift of the Holy Spirit after repenting, it means that your sins have been blotted out by Jesus. This is according to Kis. 3:19: Awake and repent, so that your sins may be blotted out. If it is said to be conscious, it means you are converted, you will never think again of doing evil to others, let alone hurting the feelings of the Lord Jesus. Anyway, you are well aware that without God's presence in your life, you will not survive. So, to achieve salvation to Heaven with Jesus, we must and absolutely repent totally. This is a true Bible doctrine or teaching, as Acts records. 26:20: Therefore, they must repent and turn to God and do the works that befit that repentance. What are the works of repentance? These jobs do not violate the laws of the land and the laws of God. That is, we must turn away from sin, namely "reversal of sinful acts/deeds into a righteous, perfect and flawless life, a holy life in the likeness and image of God"(Purba, 2019).

The presence of Jesus Christ in this life will make this life a passionate life to achieve the Father's standard of being like and in His image. Without the daily presence of Jesus Christ in this life it would be easy to fall into sin. That is why it is necessary every day to meet Jesus Christ every day so that His life Christ fills the lives of those who seek Him every day Seek Me and you will find Me.

Rifai, The phrase "holy brothers and sisters, who are part of the heavenly calling" explains to the reader that:

1. Believers are given such an honorable position that they are called "holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling". Christ was never ashamed to call His people "saints". Actually believers are guilty and sinners but are justified to be

righteous and holy. The justification that Christ worked on Mount Calvary makes believers one Christ.

2. The statement "holy brethren", is not a title but a principle of life in action. The word "holy brethren" is God's call not only to Jews but to all mankind. The Jews believed that the heavenly calling only applied to Abraham's physical descendants. But through the expression "holy brethren" shows the true essence of God's chosen people, namely the congregation of Christ.
3. The phrase "participant in the heavenly calling" has the meaning of everyone who has the gift of the Holy Spirit. The grace of the Holy Spirit effectively calls believers out of darkness into the light of Christ. Believers are realized that their lives are controlled by old habits that must be abandoned. They must put on a new character and prepare to live with Christ in heaven.

God's chosen people are also called saints who were justified by Christ through His sacrifice on the cross so that His chosen people could be united with Christ. Therefore, in order for God's chosen people to be worthy before Him, they must put on a new character or the character that Christ has and put off or put to death the old character.

Living Holy Just Like God

But be holy all your life as he is holy who called you (v. 15). The word "but" in Greek is "alla" means rather, emphasizes, nevertheless, at the very least. You should "become" in Greek "ginomai" be, born, made, happen, come, go. The word holy in Greek "hagios" *it means* holy, pure, holy, holy place. The Greek word "in" is "en" means in, in, with, in between. The word 'whole' in Greek is "fit" means any, all, everything, everyone. The word "your life" in Greek "anastrophe" means behavior, way of life, behavior, behavior. Just as He is holy in the Greek "hagios" means holy, holy, pure, holy, holy place. Who has "called" in Greek "kaleo" means to mention, to name, to call, to mention, to invite, to collect. The word "you" in Greek "humas" means to you, your heart, to you, between you, your faith, you, towards you. "But be holy in all your ways, as God who called you is holy."

Holiness is a commandment of God that must be obeyed or obeyed by God's chosen people. And this commandment can be reached by His chosen people if it is carried out with hard work without giving up because God gave His command, God also gave the strength and ability to achieve His command (Kittel et.al).

Kevin De Young; Without a doubt, holiness is one of the main themes in the Bible. The word "holy" appears more than 600 times in the Bible, not to mention combined with words like holiness, sanctification and sanctification, the number will be more than 700. You cannot understand the Bible without first understanding that God is holy and wants people to be holy. He is also holy forever in a holy heaven (Young, 2020).

The contents of the inhabitants of heaven are God's chosen people who during their time on earth want to fight for a holy life. Do not compromise with the wiles of evil, do not live in sin, do not live to fulfill the desires of the flesh, and do not live by the desires of this deceptive world. God's chosen people who are willing to lose their lives to please God who has redeemed them (Porter et.al, 2012).

Bruce H. Wilkinson, the definition of holiness, namely holiness means separation which means being free from sin so that

separation occurs, the definition of holiness also means having a standard, namely a heavenly standard created by God himself because God determines the rules of the game of holiness by providing a standard (Wilkinson, 2001).

Living holy means living separated from a world full of sin. God does not want His people to be polluted from this evil world, God separates His people so that they become the chosen people who are worthy and pleasing to Him. His elect means to be a people who will not sin again or people who have died to sin and live to please God alone. God's standard for His chosen people is to live holy just as God is holy (Horrell, 2015). A holy people are people who are worthy before Him. Because without holiness it is impossible to meet Him. God is holy, therefore His chosen people must also be holy. The result of sin is severe damage to the human soul so that the human soul experiences acute mental illness. Through full devotion and obedience to the Holy Spirit, the human soul slowly experiences healing, even at its peak, the human soul experiences perfection just as the Father is perfect and this is done by the blood of Christ and the miraculous help of the Holy Spirit (Hotton, 2009).

As His chosen people who are held is a life without sin or sinning no more, sin must be put to death just as Christ died His death against sin once and for all. And let His chosen people not sin like Christ (Greg, 2014). Borrong said, "Father's love is proof that our union with Jesus is perfect and absolute. Our Lord did not intend to make our lives free from difficulties and uncertainties. But just as Jesus knew the heart and mind of the Father, so He can lift us up to heaven through the baptism of the Holy Spirit so that He can reveal God's teachings to us. "... all things that you ask the Father" (John 16:23) (Zuck, 2011). "That day" is a day when there is peace and a close relationship between God and His saints. Just as Jesus lived holy and blameless before His Father, we too can be brought into such a relationship through the power of the baptism of the Holy Spirit. "... that they may be one, just as we are one..." (John 17:22) (Borrong, 1998).

The fruit of being faithful to Jesus and being a servant of righteousness is living in holiness. If you do the truth of God's word, surely the lives of His people will be holy. It means His people as the ones who are victorious. On the other hand, if His people make mistakes, then His people's lives are sinful before God. That means His people lost. Living in holiness is an absolute sign of Christian victory. Because the purpose of Jesus to atone for the sins of His people is to sanctify His people so that His chosen people live in holiness. "Christ loved the church and gave himself up for it to sanctify it, after he had cleansed it by bathing it with the water of the word, so that he might set the church before him brightly, without blemish or wrinkle or anything like that, but that it might be holy and blameless (Arichea, 2019).

Draine said, "Only the saints are worthy to be placed before God. In other words, the saints are after God's heart. They are the winners. On the other hand, sinners must be cut off from the sight of God, because it is detestable in God's eyes. God is only pleased with holiness, therefore He commands His people to live holy lives. "Live as obedient children, and do not obey the passions that overwhelm you in your foolishness, but be holy all your life as the holy One who called you, for it is written: Be holy, for I am holy (1 Pet. 1:14-16)". (Drane, 2016)

Living Holy Through Rebirth

For you have been born again not of mortal seed, but of immortal seed, through the word of God, which is living and eternal (1 Peter 1:23) (Carson, 2007). Because you have been "born again" in Greek "ἀναγεννάω" means rebirth. The word

"not" in Greek "ου" means no. The word "from" in Greek "οακ" means from, from within, by, because. The word "seed" in Greek "σπορε" means seed, origin. The word "mortal" in Greek "πηαρτοο" means mortal, can die, can rot, can perish. The word "but" in Greek "αλλα" means rather, emphasizes, even, nevertheless, at the very least (Armand, 2011). "From the incorruptible seed" in Greek "απηαρτοο" means eternal, imperishable, eternal. The word "by" in Greek "ηε" means because, through, with, by, during. The word "Word" in Greek "λογος" means word, word, news, value, matter. God in Greek "theos" God, according to God's will, according to God's likeness (Armand, 2011). The "living" in Greek "ζωο" means to live, to live again, to live, to heal (Armand, 2011). The word "and" in Greek "και" means and, even, also, but, then, however, ie (Armand, 2011). The "eternal" in Greek "μενο" means to stay, to stay, to stay, to keep, to live, to endure, to wait. "For you have been born again, not of seed that can die, but of seed that cannot die, through the word of the living and everlasting God (Mark, 2010)."

The word translated by rebirth from the Greek is παλιγγενεσια (Barbara et.al, 2018). If this word is considered in connection, it will appear that this word is used in two senses, namely a general meaning and a specific meaning. First of all this word is used in a general sense, namely to refer to the renewal of all things, the renewal of the universe, which will take place at the second coming of Christ, or to refer to a new way of life in general. Rebirth or time of re-creation here is seen as an eschatological event, or one that will occur at the end of time. What is meant by "bathing of rebirth" is nothing but a new life, which is done by the Holy Spirit and possessed by believers through baptism or washing. Rebirth here means the whole renewal of life that is carried out by the power of the Holy Spirit. The word παλιγγενεσια has a special meaning, namely as God's work which is done directly through the Holy Spirit, to pour out new life into humans (Barbara et.al, 2018), who were originally spiritually dead, so that humans can reveal new life (Abineno, 2010). The Lord Jesus said that unless a person is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God. (John 3:3). From these words it is clear, that rebirth, or second birth, is an absolute condition for human salvation. that unless a man is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God. (John 3:3). From these words it is clear, that rebirth, or second birth, is an absolute condition for human salvation. that unless a man is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God. (John 3:3). From these words it is clear, that rebirth, or second birth, is an absolute condition for human salvation (Abineno, 2010).

Arianto said, "Thus the Holy Spirit works in the human heart, so that people can receive God's call through the gospel (Arianto et.al, 2020). That man must be born again, so that he can hear God's call and obey that call. Simultaneously with the coming of the Lord God's call from without through the gospel, new life is also poured out into the hearts of believers. So the new life has become real in the present life, even though its perfection will only become a reality later in the life of the end of time. With the renewal, which has now taken place in the life of the believer, the believer is guaranteed that one day he will receive its perfection (Andrian, 2020)."

Research result

In this study, teachings of the Apostle Peter among Christian Religious Education Teachers in Bantul Regency and Gunung Kidul Regency Yogyakarta will use exogenous variables and endogenous variables. Exogenous variable is a

variable whose diversity is not influenced by causes in the system and this variable cannot be assigned a causal relationship, and this variable is designated as a starter variable that has an effect on other variables. Exogenous variables are indicators found through theoretical studies to find constructs. Construct is a conceptual definition or something that must be proven. While the endogenous variables and endogenous variables in the model (Iskandar, 2013).

This study consistently and honestly examines the Independent Variable (X) or Exogenous Variables, about stewardship based on the teaching of apostle Peter by conducting exegesis and theological explanations to find research indicators (Sasmoko, 2003).

Hypothesis test

The proposed hypothesis: It is suspected that the level of confirmation of the teaching of apostle Peter among Christian Religious Education teachers in Bantul Regency and Gunung Kidul Regency Yogyakarta is in the medium category.

To test the first hypothesis, the researcher applies 3 categories of Teaching Confirmation Level apostle Peter among Christian Religious Education teachers in Bantul Regency and Gunung Kidul Regency Yogyakarta is in the medium category. (Y) Namely: (a) low, (b) moderate/moderate, and (c) high. Data analysis was carried out using Confidence Interval at a significance level of 5% and the following table was generated:

The conclusions drawn from the first hypothesis are compared with the results of calculations for each dimension (D1–D4) as exogenous variables that show a more specific level of endogenous variables.

| No. | Variable | Research result |
|-----|--|---------------------------------|
| 1 | The level of confirmation of the Apostle Peter's Teaching among Christian Religious Education teachers in Bantul Regency and Gunung Kidul Regency Yogyakarta | Level in the "Medium" category |
| 2 | Selected Level to redeem (D1) | Level in the "Medium" category |
| 3 | Selected Level for consecration (D2) | Level in the "Medium" categorys |
| 4 | Level Chosen to be God's people (D3) | Level in the "Medium" category |
| 5 | Selected Level to save (D4) | Level in the "High" category |

From the results above, it can be concluded that in general the level of confirmation of the teaching of the Apostle Peter Among Christian Religious Education teachers in Bantul Regency and Gunung Kidul Regency Yogyakarta is in the "medium" category. So the first hypothesis proposed: it is suspected that the level of confirmation of the Apostle Peter's teaching among Christian Religious Education teachers in Bantul Regency and Gunung Kidul Regency Yogyakarta is in the moderate category which is declared accepted.

Conclusion

As discussed in this manuscript, the teaching of apostle Peter clearly shows that the Christian lifestyle must manifest certain unique qualities that will render the gospel proclamation attractive to those who do not yet believe. This observation can be sustained, this study contributes to the Christian Religious Education Teachers in Bantul and Gunung Kidul Regencies Yogyakarta. Based on the results of the research and discussion presented, a conclusion can be drawn: **First:** The level of confirmation of the teaching of the Apostle Peter among Christian Religious Education teachers in Bantul Regency and Gunung Kidul Regency Yogyakarta (Y) is in the medium category, This is the same as the hypothesis proposed, thus the hypothesis is stated received. This conclusion is based on the results of data analysis conducted using Confidence Interval statistical calculation at a significance level of 5% resulted in Lower Bound and Upper Bound of 211,9330 – 2322,0003 in the "medium" category. This is supported by the conclusions drawn on the hypothesis compared to the results of calculations for each dimension (D1–D4) as exogenous variables that show a more specific level of endogenous variables which both state the level in the "medium" criteria. **Second:** Christian Religious Education Teachers in Bantul and Gunung Kidul Regencies Yogyakarta further increase their knowledge and draw closer to God in earnest to live as God's chosen people based on the teaching of apostle Peter. It is hoped that all teachers will truly become people sanctified by God so that they can be a blessing, and can be an example for everyone, especially for students at school.

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