

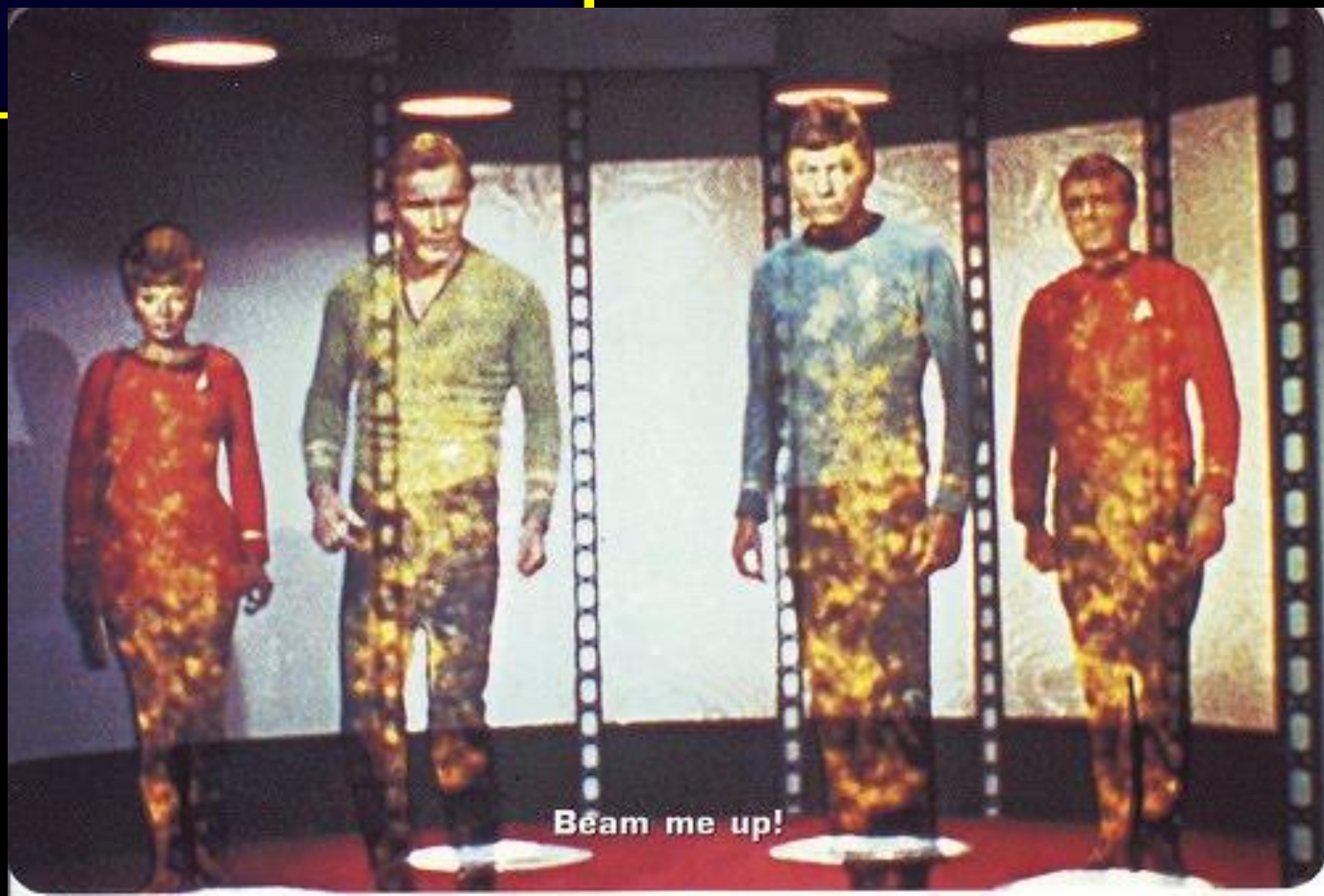
The Prayer of Jesus



John 17



**BEAM ME UP SCOTTY
THERE'S NO INTELLIGENT
LIFE DOWN HERE**



Beam me up!

John 17:16-19

16 They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world.

17 Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth.

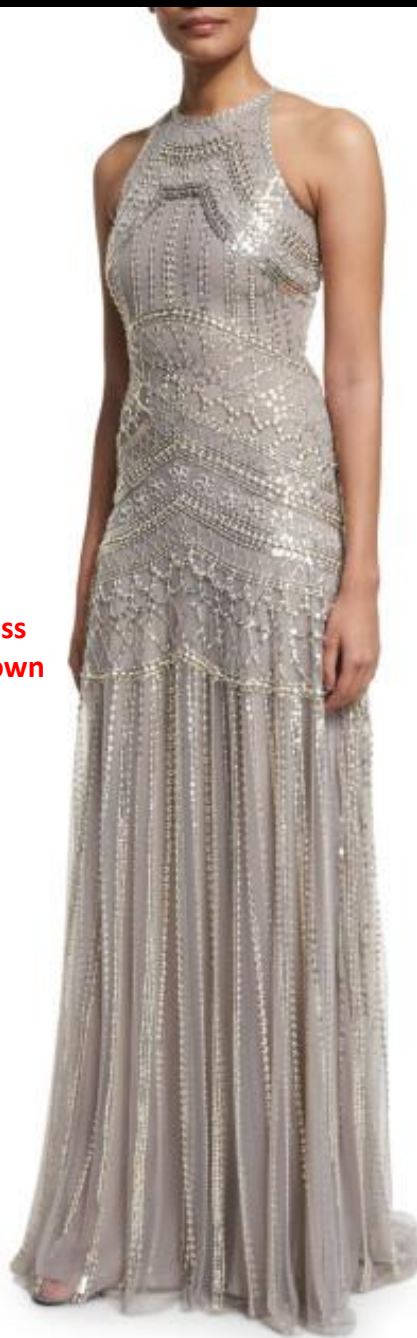
18 As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world.

19 And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.

**God uses His people
most when we are
living in this world
but not of this world**

MEANING OF OUR SANCTIFICATION

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Westminster Confession of Faith – the Shorter Catechism

Q. 35. What is sanctification?

A. Sanctification is the work of God's free grace, whereby we are renewed in the whole man after the image of God, and are enabled more and more to die unto sin, and live unto righteousness.

Romans 8:2-4

² For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

³ For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

METHOD OF OUR SANCTIFICATION

It's unfortunate that some church leaders and scholars like to shame Christians for making too much of the Bible. "We worship Jesus not words on a page" is how the barb usually goes. Well, of course, we don't bow down before ink and paper. But don't think for a second that making much of the Bible is somehow antithetical to heartfelt communion with Christ. One of the recurring themes in 1 John is that we abide in Christ by letting the apostolic deposit of truth abide in us.

...Those who truly belong to God listen to his inspired, apostolic messengers. Doctrine is not a distraction from Christ. In fact, we do not have communion with Christ apart from truth about Christ and from Christ. We are sanctified in the truth, and God's word is truth."

Kevin DeYoung

The New Testament does not suggest any short-cuts by which we can grow in sanctification, but simply encourages us repeatedly to give ourselves to the old-fashioned, time-honored means of Bible reading and meditation (Ps. 1:2; Matt. 4:4; John 17:17), prayer (Eph. 6:18; Phil. 4:6), worship (Eph. 5:18–20), witnessing (Matt. 28:19–20), Christian fellowship (Heb. 10:24–25), and self-discipline or self control (Gal. 5:23; Titus 1:8). It is important that we continue to grow both in our passive trust in God to sanctify us and in our active striving for holiness and greater obedience in our lives.

If we neglect active striving to obey God, we become passive, lazy Christians. If we neglect the passive role of trusting God and yielding to him, we become proud and overly confident in ourselves. In either case, our sanctification will be greatly deficient. We must maintain faith and diligence to obey at the same time.

Wayne Grudem

MISSION OF OUR SANCTIFICATION

Model #1 - ISOLATION STRATEGY

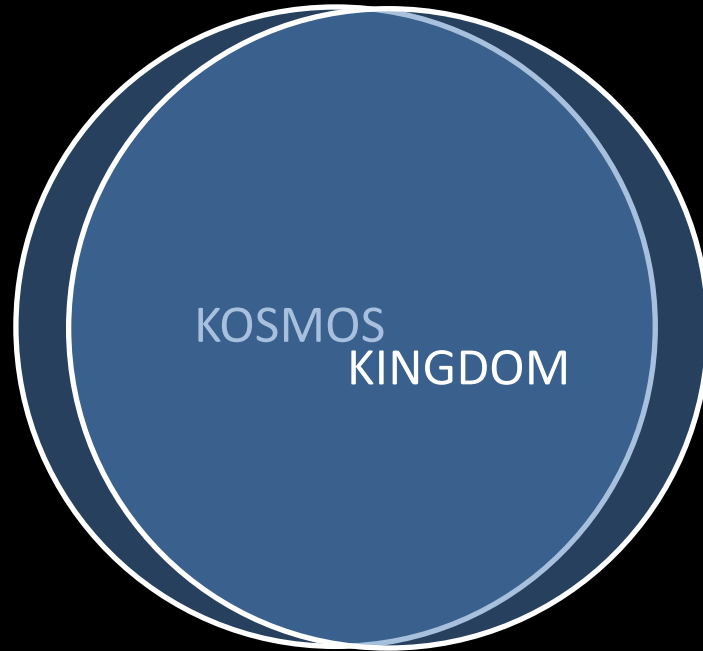
(The Amish, Separatist Model)



God's people are to be radically separated from the ways of the world

Model #2 IMITATION STRATEGY

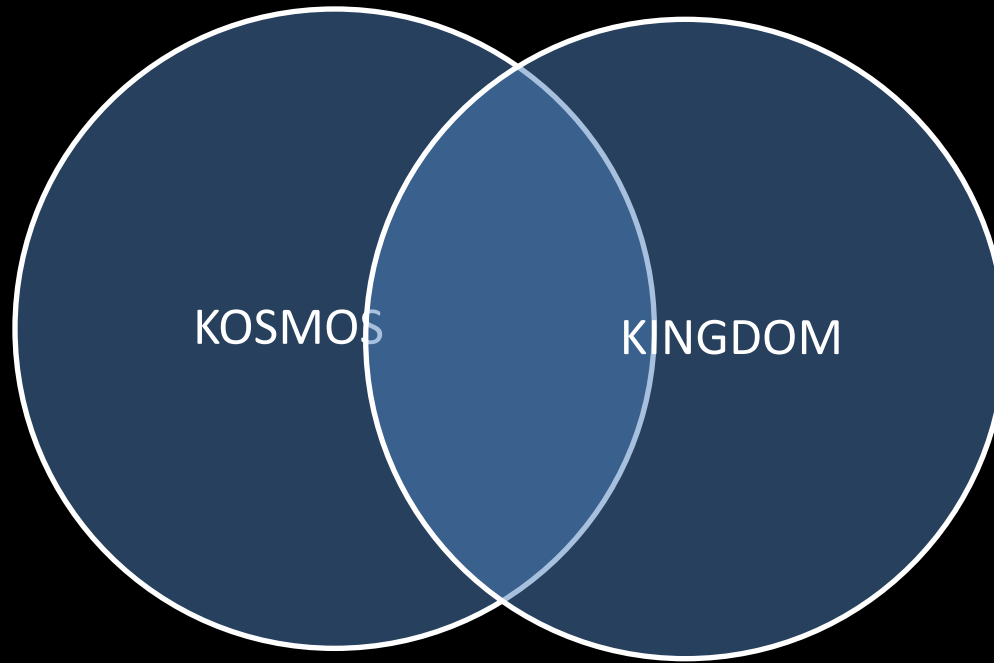
(The Nominal, Civil Religion Model)



God's people are to radically embrace the ways of the world.

Model # 3 - INFILTRATION STRATEGY

(The Biblical Model)



God's people are to saturate the world with kingdom values .

We are ambassadors for Christ... (2 Corinthians 5:20)

We are *"in the world, but not of the world"*

We are to be transforming agents bringing God's "shalom" to the world.

To speak in general terms, we may say that the Christian is to the world what the soul is to the body. As the soul is present in every part of the body, while remaining distinct from it, so Christians are found in all the cities of the world, but cannot be identified with the world.

Letter to Diognetus

MODEL FOR OUR SANCTIFICATION

Jesus, Our Great Model

When Jesus said, *‘for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be consecrated in truth’* he could not have meant *‘to become holy’* but to *“set himself apart for a holy task”*; hence *‘consecrate’* is a better rendering than *‘sanctify.’*

Donald Guthrie



CHURCH IN A
BLUES BAR

Allan Dayhoff, DMin

Jesus, Our Great Messiah

If Jesus is praying for
our **SANCTIFICATION**
shouldn't we also?

If Jesus is praying for
our MISSION shouldn't
we also?



Mark 5:18-20

*18 As he was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed with demons begged him that he might be with him. 19 And he did not permit him but said to him, **“Go home to your friends and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you.”** 20 And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him, and everyone marveled.*

