I Shall Be Sanctified in You

Ezekiel 36:23

- A <u>I will sanctify</u> My Great Name
 - B which was profaned among the heathen
 - X which ye have profaned in the midst of them
 - B and the heathen shall know that I am the Lord, saith the Lord God,
- A when I shall be sanctified in you before their eyes.

Here is an Old Testament prophecy regarding what God will do. He will sanctify Himself in His people, who are in the midst of the heathen. This is applicable at every level—on a global scale, on a national scale, even a local level. God's people will be sanctified when the display of heathen power in our world is greatest. A counterpart to this passage can be readily seen in Hebrews 13:11-13

- A Bodies of the beasts, whose **blood** is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are **burned** <u>without the camp</u>.
 - X Wherefore Jesus also, that <u>He might sanctify the people</u> with his own blood, suffered <u>without the gate</u>.
- A Let us go forth therefore unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach.

Notice the phrase "without the camp" mentioned in the bookends and "without the gate" in the pinnacle passage. First Paul mentions the typology, then the antitype through the blood of Christ. "That He might sanctify the people", He "suffered without the gate." Thus, we see that sanctification is a benefit of the cross as we've seen in <u>another chiasm</u> in the book of Hebrews. But for it to be applied to our lives we must "go forth unto those [lost] without the camp." This is a prominent theme in the book of Hebrews. Note these other internal passages in Hebrews re. the work of sanctification.

- Heb 2:10-13 The Captain of their salvation who was made perfect through sufferings, has brought many sons unto glory.
- Heb 3:6, 13 If we are made partakers of Christ, we must hold fast our confidence stedfast unto the end. {Principle of Sanctification}
- Heb 4:10, 11 For he that is entered into his rest, hath ceased from his own works, let us labour...to enter into that rest. {Principle of sanctification}
- Heb 5:8, 9 Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things he suffered;
 And being made perfect, He became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey Him.
- Heb 6:1 Therefore, . . . let us go unto perfection (maturity).