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 are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.   
 Bch. xv. 17 8 Sanctify them \* through thy truth: “thy word is truth.   
 Acts xv.9. 18 i As thou ! Aast sent me into the world, even so [° dave]   
 \* I also sent them into the world.   
 I sanctify myself, that they also 19 ™ might \* for their sakes   
 20 Neither pray I for these alone, but   
 ess. for them the truth. [° sfa/7] believe on me through their   
 is word; 21! that they all may be one; as ™thou, Father,   
 [° ard] in me, and I in thee, that they also may be [9° one]   
   
   
   
 X ead and render, in the truth. 1] yender, didst send.   
 M render, may. 2 render, in truth.   
 © omit.   
 00 omitted by many ancient authorities.   
   
 God’s work, and (ver. 17) to be sanctified He does not merely leave them in the   
 by God’s truth. Not ‘from the evil, world, but sends them into it, to witness   
 as A. V.; but from the evil one: see the to this same truth of God; see ch. xv. 16.   
 usage of our Apostle in 1 John ii. 18, 14, 19.] See above on ver. 17. It is   
 y. 18, and compare iii. 12. 16.) re- clear against all Socinian inferences from   
 peated, as the ground both of the not this verse, that all that part of the   
 praying that they might be taken out of sanctification of the Son of God implied in   
 the world; for they are already not of the ch. x. 36 is here excluded: and only that   
 world, above the world, so that they need intended, which is expressed Heb. ii. 10   
 not be removed from it in order to distine- by making perfect through sufferings. Of   
 tion from it;—and of the praying, that this, His Death was the crowning act, and   
 they might be kept from the evil one,—for was also the one to which the expres-   
 they are clean (ch. xiii. ‘Keep them sion for their sakes most directly applies   
 from the polluter.’ This leads on to but the whole is included. The confining   
 17—19.] the process of sanctification the meaning to His sacrifice, the pur-   
 through the knowledge of the truth im- pose stated, that they also... to their   
 parted to them by Christ, and expanded martyrdom, or their spiritual   
 in them by the Spirit. The word Rom. sii. 1, is insufficient the depth of   
 sanctify, here and in ver. 19, carries the the words. sanctified in truth:   
 meaning, which unites the two uses, of what truth, is evident from ver. 17, viz.   
 consecration to God. (1) In them, this God’s word and will, which is Truth, and   
 setting apart for Him was a long and the Truth. 20.] The connexion is with   
 gradual process, to be accomplished by the words “I sent them into the world,”   
 conflicts, the deeper sinking in of the ver. 18. The description, them which be-   
 Truth by the blows of affliction, and the lieve (not, “that shall believe,” as in   
 purifying fire of Spirit: in them it was A. V.) expresses the state of faith which   
 strictly sanctification, the making holy: all believers are found; the future would   
 but (2) in Hrs it was that pure and entire refer more to the act of belief by which   
 self-consecration by His submission to the that state is But perhaps it is to   
 Father’s holy will, the entire possession of take the present tense as anticipatory.   
 His sinless Humanity with the living and It is strikingly set here, that all sub-   
 speaking Truth of God, which should be at sequent belief on Christ would take place   
 the same time the efficient of their through the apostolic word: see Rom. x.   
 sanctification and their Pattern. Such an 16, 17. 21.) The word that here   
 High Priest became us (see Heb. vii. 26), hardly can regard the subject-matter of   
 who are to be ourselves priests unto God. the prayer, ver. 20, but rather we should   
 Rev. xx. 6. The A. V. is wrong in understand it as expressing the object of   
 rendering through Thy truth; it should the prayer respecting both. The subject-   
 be, in Thy truth; see on ver. 11. The matter of the prayer is, that they may he   
 truth is the element in the sanctifica- kept in God’s name and sanctified in God’s   
 tion takes place. thy word] Compare truth; and if this be so, their unity   
 Acts xx. 32. Thy word, in its inner power with the Son and the Father follows,   
 on the heart. Ver. 18. is anticipatory, 1 John i. 3. But here it is not merely   
 —and received its fulfilment ch. xx. 21, «with,’ but in, the Son and the Father;