

Memory Verse

Hebrews 10:14

**For by a single offering he has
perfected for all time those who are
being sanctified.**

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A Great

Part 4

SALVATION

Sanctification

Romans 6:12-22,

Hebrews 10:10, 14

The Gospel is *5 things*: **1.** Christ *died* for our sins, **2.** He was *buried*, **3.** He *physically arose* again on the *third day*, **4.** Was *seen* by many and, **5.** According to the *Scriptures*.

We also looked at some false gospels and discussed *Justification*...

A. What is Sanctification

"The Greek term for sanctify, *hagiazō*, means to "set apart" for God's special use, or "to make distinct from what is common." Hence, sanctification is to be made like God who is distinct from all else and therefore holy. The Greek word for "sanctify" refers to a process which is perfect in principle, though not yet attainable. Though we are not yet

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completely holy, we stand in relation to God as though we are. This is indicated in *Hebrews 10:10* where the verb "sanctified" is a perfect participle, literally "having been sanctified," indicating the present results of a past action. Sanctification is something that has been done once for all, but its effect still continues - as stated in *Hebrews 10:14*,

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"those who are being sanctified."

***Holman Treasury of Key Bible Words,
Sanctification - p. 385***

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God has sanctified us, and is sanctifying us.

The Bible speaks of both. In **position**, a Christian is *set apart to God*. If we are set apart to someone, **what does that mean?**

We are *set apart from*: self and satan.

“Sanctified” means *not common*. *It is special, used for a special and specific purpose for God!*

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Genesis 2:3 – Then God blessed the seventh day and **sanctified** it...

Exodus 19:14 – So Moses went down from the mountain to the people and **sanctified** the people, and they washed their clothes.

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1 Chronicles 23:13 – ...Aaron was **set apart**, he and his sons forever, that he should **sanctify** (*set apart, consecrate*) the most holy things (*for the Tabernacle*), to burn incense before the LORD, to minister to Him (God), to give the blessing in His Name forever.

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Acts 20:32 – So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who **are sanctified.**

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1 Corinthians 6:11 – (speaking about former sins of some Corinthians) ...But you **were washed**, but you **were sanctified**, but you **were justified** in the Name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.

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Hebrews 10:10 – By that (*establishing the New Covenant*) will we **have been sanctified** through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once. ***10:14*** – For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are **being sanctified**.

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Other ways to describe "**sanctify**" are: *distinguish, select, appoint, dedicate, or hallow (make holy or separate)*. Justification is a one-time event where God declares the sinner "not guilty." ***Sanctification*** is God setting us apart for something, from something, and conforming us to the image of Jesus.

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Being *sanctified* or *set apart* to God is an act of God where *one is washed, cleansed or cleaned* and *one is being washed*, or is in the continuous process of being cleansed for a purpose.

B. Positional Sanctification

Sanctification refers to the **position** and **purpose** for the *cleansing*... *God declares us righteous in Christ, because of Christ, so we may live by, through, and in Christ! He sets us apart from sin to Himself, for His purposes, rather than our own sinful, and selfish desires.* Again, just to emphasize, *Scripture speaks of Sanctification in 2 tenses: Past positional and Present progressive (practice).*

Romans 6:12-22 - Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. 13 Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. 14 For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under

law but under grace. 15What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! 16Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? 17But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have

become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed, 18and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. 19I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members

as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification. 20For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. 21But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. 22But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life.

B. Positional Sanctification

This is the ***past positional*** state of *Sanctification*. God has rescued us from the power of sin.

God has *set us apart from sin* unto *holiness* or ***sanctification***. He has brought us from *spiritual darkness* to *spiritual light*.

C. Progressive Sanctification

It is our ***progressive*** or ***practical sanctification*** where we have problems. The writers of the New Testament, often tell believers then and by application us - ***Live up to and live out who you are in Jesus!*** Our ***practice*** or ***progressive sanctification*** is God continually changing a believer, because we still struggle with sin.

C. Progressive Sanctification

In regards to sin, though ***free*** from its grip, it is still **present** within us and there is an internal battle we face moment by moment, day by day. We want to do what's right, but when we don't, it's *because we submit to what we are free from, rather than to the One who freed us*. When we do that, we sin and are selfish...

C. Progressive Sanctification

Romans 8:1 - There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Paul continues in the **present tense** through *verse 11* showing that Christ and His Spirit, who indwells Believers, has freed us from *condemnation. We cannot live out practically what we do not know*

D. Spiritual Disciplines

They are the **basics** of Christian growth: supplication, singing, Scripture, stewardship, serving, silence, though there are others.

D. Spiritual Disciplines

1. Supplication – *Prayer*. Supplication is a type of prayer, but it began with an “s” so I used it. *Romans 8* says the Holy Spirit helps us when we **pray**. He is our translator...

Prayer is communication with the Lord, speaking and listening, and is one means God uses to change us. ***Prayer is admitting we can't do it apart from the Lord.***

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2. Singing – Worship. Worship is more than singing, but it too began with an “s.”

*Worship is **giving** all of who we are to all of who God is! It is **acknowledging** who He is. It is focusing on God. It’s not just on a Sunday morning, in a Bible study, or at a conference, etc. It is a **lifestyle!***

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3. Scripture – *God's Word*. God's only infallible and authoritative word...

There is nothing wrong with devotions, but *you will not grow spiritually if that is all you do*. Make the time to take the time to **read**, **think** and **study** God's word.

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4. Stewardship – A steward is one who takes care of someone else's stuff. We are stewards of everything God gives us... in 3 categories: ***time, talent*** and ***treasure***.

Time is God's gift...

Talents are what God gives as natural abilities and spiritual gifts...

Treasure is any material possession...

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5. Serving – Local Church. Scripture says we are to be involved in a **local fellowship** of believers. If we are not, we are disobedient and will not grow, unless hindered by health. This is *not just “going to church”* but being **involved** and **using** our time, talent and treasure to **build up** the body of Christ...

D. *Spiritual Disciplines*

6. Silence – This is one we are losing in society, and the Church. This is not a *mystical thing*, but purposefully spending time alone with the Lord in Bible reading, Bible study and prayer...

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- 1. In Christ, no matter who we were, we are sanctified in and by Christ for Him.***
- 2. This doctrine gives us security.***
- 3. This helps us give grace to others.***
- 4. What if I don't feel like praying, studying, etc. or don't have time?***