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our HOLY and AWESOME GOD**

**Now let's Listen to God's Holy Word →**



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1. The Gospel of Jesus Christ
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3. Mankind's sinfulness and depravity
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10.The HOLY Spirit ... LIFE in the SPIRIT

11.Last week →

Persecution & Suffering for Christ's sake

This week ... we will look at

God's Goals in our Life

# Sanctification and GLORY

Today we are going to look at our Sanctification →

Sanctification is a big theological word that means ...

The Process of being made Holy ...

In this case – the Holy Spirit works in our lives and makes us more like Jesus Christ – as to His Perfect Humanity

(the Human-side of the equation of Christ ...)

To become more like Jesus in His Moral Qualities of Life.

**WHAT is GOD's GOAL with us ... with this PROCESS of SANCTIFICATION? Let's Read Romans 8:12-30 to find out**

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**Romans 8:12-30** - <sup>12</sup> So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. <sup>13</sup> For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if, by the Spirit, you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. <sup>14</sup> For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. <sup>15</sup> For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” <sup>16</sup> The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup> and if children, then heirs — heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, **PROVIDED** that we suffer with Him **IN ORDER** that we may also be **GLORIFIED** with Him.

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**Romans 8:12-30** - <sup>18</sup> For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the **GLORY** that is to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup> For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. <sup>20</sup> For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup> that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the **GLORY** of the children of God. <sup>22</sup> For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now.

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**Romans 8:12-30** - <sup>23</sup> And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup> For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? <sup>25</sup> But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

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**Romans 8:12-30** - <sup>26</sup> Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings **TOO DEEP FOR WORDS**. <sup>27</sup> And He who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit **INTERCEDES** for the saints according to the will of God. <sup>28</sup> And we know that for those who love God **ALL** things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose.

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Romans 8:12-30 - <sup>29</sup> For those whom He FOREKNEW He also PREDESTINED to be CONFORMED to the IMAGE of his Son, in order that He (i.e.: Jesus) might be the firstborn among many brothers. <sup>30</sup> And those whom He (i.e.: God the Father) PREDESTINED He also CALLED, and those whom He CALLED He also JUSTIFIED, and those whom He JUSTIFIED He also GLORIFIED.

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**God's Goal for our LIFE in Christ is NOT that we should be**

**Happy, Comfortable, Wealthy in this world's possessions and finances**

**Healthy (Physically – although that is common sense, etc.)**

**Be well accepted by those around you ... (to belong to the “in crowd”) ... etc. .etc...**

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**God's Goal in our lives is**

**His Holiness** (Sanctification ... making us Holy, just as Christ is Holy)

**His Righteousness** (being Right with God, thinking Right, Living Right, Right attitudes - right → correct ... being in a Correct, Perfectly Aligned Relationship with God, etc.)

**His Image and Likeness** (to be like Christ)  
(us being Conformed into the Image and Likeness of Christ)

**His Glory in Us, Revealed when Christ is Reveal in all of**

**His Glory (Colossians 3:1-4)**

**→ we are His Glory, and He is our Glory**

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**Colossians 3:1-4:** Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, **KEEP SEEKING THE THINGS** above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. **<sup>2</sup> SET YOUR MIND** on the things above, **NOT** on the things that are on earth. **<sup>3</sup> For you have died** and your life is hidden with Christ in God. **<sup>4</sup> When Christ, WHO IS OUR LIFE, is REVEALED, then you ALSO will be REVEALED WITH HIM IN GLORY.**

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God wants us to be fully formed and conformed into being fully like Christ, the humanity of Christ (in His Moral Attributes, etc... Righteousness and Holiness) → into His Image and Likeness

Yes, it is NICE TO HAVE happiness, comfort, safety, etc... but NEVER at the cost of God's Righteousness, Holiness, & His Approval. We are to COOPERATE with God in our Holiness, in our Sanctification with God. It is a PROCESS ...

# Sanctification and GLORY

## Our Sanctification in Christ:

1. This is an **INTERNAL AFFECT** by God's Holy Spirit in our Heart, Spirit, Mind and Soul

When we became Born Again in Christ, God's Spirit came to live in our hearts. We became united with God the Father, in Christ, via His indwelling Holy Spirit. He has not redeemed our bodies yet (Romans 8:18-24) [He'll do that in the future]

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## Our Sanctification in Christ:

### 2. It is a COOPERATIVE EFFORT

according to Colossians 3:1-4 (we just read it) &  
Romans 8:26-28

<sup>26</sup> Likewise the Spirit HELPS us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings TOO DEEP for words. <sup>27</sup> And He who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. <sup>28</sup> And we know that for those who love God ALL things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose.

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Therefore...

To the **DEGREE** OF our Daily Surrendering to, Submission to, Following of, Trusting in, Loving, and Obeying God (i.e.: **COOPERATING** with God) is the Degree / **RATE** at which we will actually be Growing in Christ ... not just Head Knowledge of knowing about God and/or Hi Word (can quote verse, etc.) but in the Genuine Transformation of our lives in Christ ... in us becoming **MORE** like Christ (in His Image, etc.)

It cannot be Faked ... it is **REAL** Change from God

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**3. To God – it has already taken place, in one sense, according to His Perspective:**

**This is for us ... to give us Great Comfort and HOPE for His Return ... not to start a theological argument. God is Outside of Time ... and also within Time ...**

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**1 Peter 1:1-2 → Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ: To those who reside as aliens, scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, WHO are CHOSEN (the ELECT) <sup>2</sup> ACCORDING TO THE FOREKNOWLEDGE OF God the Father, by the SANCTIFYING work of the Spirit, to OBEY Jesus Christ and be sprinkled with His Blood: May GRACE and peace be yours in the fullest measure.**

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**3. To God – it has already taken place, in one sense, according to His Perspective:**

**Lost Sinners are ONLY Saved when they Trust in Christ for their Salvation BECAUSE they are RESPONDING to the GOSPEL of Christ Jesus. God has Predestined & Ordained that the Preaching of the Gospel of Christ is How lost Sinners are Saved. This has not Changed.**

**God is giving us His ETERNAL Perspective regarding those who are Saved and Will be Saved, etc...**

# **Sanctification and GLORY**

**3. To God – it has already taken place, in one sense, according to His Perspective:**

**God is giving us HIS Perspective on the Process of Calling us to Salvation, to Justification, to the life-long process of Sanctification in Christ, to the Final Stage ...**

**GLORIFICATION IN Christ and WITH CHRIST**

**This PERSPECTIVE is from God BEING OUTSIDE of TIME ... before Creation, before Time Began...  
Again, this should Cause us to Thank & Praise Him**

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**3. To God – it has already taken place, in one sense, according to His Perspective:**

**To God, you and I are already Glorified in Christ and with Christ ... in GLORY in HEAVEN with HIM ...**

**That is ONE Perspective... Thank God for that ...**

**The other is TODAY, NOW ... He sees us ALSO as we are NOW, TODAY ... As we ARE, right now...**

**And HE is Actively Working in our LIVES, Today, seeking to Transform us, to Conform us into the Image of Jesus**

**Christ ... today, more and more Progressively**

**also (1 John 3:1-3) → Think of the New Heavens and Earth**

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Today if you don't know if you are truly Born Again ...  
please today ... Get right with God ...

REPENT of your Sins (admit that you are a sinner) ...

Believe in Christ ... (this is not "play pretend")

Trust in Him personally.... He is Real ...

That He Died on the Cross for your sins...

That He was buried ...

That He Rose from the Dead ...

And that God punished Jesus in your place, instead  
of you ... Believe in God that He loves you and Paid

for your sins – PLEASE → Repent and Believe

# **Sanctification and GLORY**

**LET's Stand and Sing this last song to God ...**

**With our hearts and attitudes full of  
Thanksgiving and much Gratitude**

**See y'all Next Time we Gather...**

**@ LIFE Group and/or Here Next Week**



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