

Questions About Salvation



Part 4: Sanctification



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Components of Salvation

Election	God's choice of who to save
Calling	Proclamation of the Gospel message
Regeneration	Being born again (becoming spiritually alive)
Conversion	Putting faith in Christ and repenting from sin
Justification	Right legal standing before God
Adoption	Becoming a son or daughter and heir of God
Sanctification	Becoming more like Christ / more holy
Perseverance	Remaining a Christian
Death	Going to be with the Lord
Glorification	Receiving a resurrection body / becoming like Christ, eternity with God



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Sanctification

Becoming more like Christ / more holy



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“If you were to ask me, then, ‘Are you saved?’ and I were to give you a full biblical answer, I would have to say, ‘I have been saved from the penalty of sin (over fifty years ago), I am being saved from the power of sin (day by day), and I shall yet be saved (from the presence of sin when I am in my heavenly home).”

Earl D. Radmacher



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“Sanctification is the progressive work of God and man that makes us more and more free of sin and like Christ in our actual lives.”

Wayne Grudem



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The Bible Commands Sanctification

“Do not offer the parts of your body to sin, as instruments of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God, as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer the parts of your body to him as instruments of righteousness.”

Romans 6:13



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“Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect.”

Matthew 5:48

“But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: ‘Be holy, because I am holy.’”

1 Peter 1:15-16



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“Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose.”

Philippians 2:13-14



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“Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.”

Matthew 7:24-27



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Means of Sanctification

- 1) God's word
- 2) God's Spirit
- 3) The Church
- 4) God's discipline/chastising



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Motivation for Sanctification

Desire to please God “He who loves me will obey my commandments” (John 14:15, 21; 1 John 5:3)

The need to keep a clear conscience before God (Rom 13:5; 1 Tim 1:5, 19; 2 Tim 1:3)

The desire to be “a vessel for noble use” and to have increased effectiveness in the work of the kingdom (2 Tim 2:20-21)

The desire to see unbelievers come to Christ through observing our lives (1 Peter 3:1-2, 15-16)

The desire to receive present blessings from God on our lives and ministries (1 Peter 3:9-12)



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Motivation for Sanctification

The desire to avoid God's displeasure and discipline in our lives (Acts 5:11; 9:31; 2 Cor 5:11; 7:1; Eph 4:30)

The desire to seek greater heavenly reward (Matt 6:19-21; Luke 19:17-19; 1 Cor 3:12-15; 2 Cor 5:9-10)

The desire for a deeper walk with God (Matt 5:8; John 14:21; 1 John 1:6; 3:21-22)

The desire that angels would glorify God for our obedience (1 Tim 5:21; 1 Peter 1:12)

The desire for peace (Phil. 4:9) and joy (Heb 12:1-2)



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Motivation for Sanctification

The desire to do what God commands, simply because his commands are right, and we delight in doing what is right (Phil 4:8; Ps 40:8)



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Motivation for Sanctification

“What makes you think you will like heaven
when you get there?”

Dallas Willard



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Steps in Sanctification

- 1) God's word
- 2) God's Spirit
- 3) The Church
- 4) God's discipline/chastising



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**An Appeal to Sanctification
Ephesians 4:9-20**

“For once you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of the light (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness, and truth) and find out what pleases the Lord. Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what the disobedient do in secret. But everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for it is light that makes everything visible. That is why it is said:

“Wake up, O sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

Be very careful, then, how you live-not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord’s will is. Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit. Speak to one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs.



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Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

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