

Justified or Sanctified?

Sanctification = being _____ **to** God, moving away from our lifestyle of _____ and moving towards God's perfection, _____, purity or holiness.

John 17:15-19

My prayer is not that you would take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. **Sanctify** them (*perfect them in righteousness*) by the truth: your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. For them I **sanctify** (*perfect them, mature them*) myself, that they too may be truly **sanctified**.

1 Thess. 4:3-4

It is God's will that you should be **sanctified** (*growing in righteousness*); that you should avoid sexual immorality; that each of you should learn to control your own body in a way that is **holy** and honorable,

#1 – If you are Christian, God promises to _____ you into the image of His Son Jesus Christ.

#2 – The Holy Spirit will be the catalyst behind any _____ that will happen in your life.

#3 – You and I have an important _____ to play in our sanctification.

Justification = the act of pronouncing righteous, acquittal; to declare to be righteous, to deem right.

Acquitted = _____ on all accounts!

Rom 3:28 For we maintain that a person is **justified** (*declared righteous*) by faith apart from the works of the law.

Gal 2:16 Know that a person is not **justified** (*declared righteous*) by the works of the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ. So we too, have put our faith in Christ Jesus that we may be **justified** (*declared righteous*) by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law, because by the works of the law no one will be justified (*declared righteous*).

Rom 3:21-24 But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are **justified** (*declaration of righteousness*) freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

#1 – This is something that _____ has accomplished on your behalf. This is not a joint _____ achievement.

#2 – Because you are seen as perfect and innocent on all accounts, which includes your past, present and future sins, you can stop trying to _____ for God.

#3 – We will have two related questions;

A- Why did God do this? His _____ for you!

B- How do I live in light of this truth? In _____ !

Having an accurate understanding of justification will transform your relationship with Jesus!