

## JUSTIFICATION

Justification means "to declare righteous." Justification is God's declaration that those who trust Jesus Christ are perfectly righteous before Him. It is a legal concept, as when a judge gives a verdict. God is the great Judge. It is His law we have broken. Before I am saved, I am a condemned sinner. After I come to Christ, God declares that I am righteous because of what Christ did for me on Calvary. Justification is being brought into a new spiritual position before God (**Romans 5:1-2**). The believer is no longer a part of the cursed household of Adam, but has entered the blessed household of Christ.

- (1) Justification is free (**Romans 3:24**). We do not become righteous before God through good works, religious rituals, morality, law-keeping. It is a free gift.
- (2) Justification is because of Christ's redemption (Romans 3:24). Justification is free because Jesus Christ paid the price with His own blood and death. (**Romans 5:9**)
- (3) Justification is through faith in Christ (**Romans 3:25-28; 4:3-6; 5:1**).
- (1) Justification is by imputation, not impartation. Justification is not God 'making' a sinner righteous, but God 'declaring' him righteous. It is true that God gives the believer a righteous nature, which remains in him and causes him to love and serve God, but this is not justification; this is regeneration (**II Cor 5:17**). Justification is God imputing to the believing sinner the very righteousness of Jesus Christ (**II Cor 5:21; Romans 4:4-6**).
- (2) Justification is in Jesus Christ. To have Christ is to have justification (**I Corinthians 1:30; 2 Corinthians 5:21**).
- (3) Justification is a present possession, not a process and a possibility (**Romans 5:9**). Justification is not a gradual thing whereby a person grows in righteousness. The believer is as fully justified the day he is converted as he is after forty years of spiritual growth. Believers do grow in obedience, but this is not justification; it is sanctification.
- (4) Justification promises eternal safety from wrath (**Romans 5:9-11**). Since the believer possesses justification through Christ's blood, he does not have to fear ever suffering God's wrath. It is God who declares the believer righteous; thus the danger of wrath and condemnation are forever past for those who are justified by Christ's blood.

### Position and Practice

The Bible makes a plain distinction between the Christian's position and his practice. Other terms for this are "standing and state", "relationship and fellowship", "union and communion." The believer's position in Christ is unchanging, secure, and eternal the moment he is born again into God's family. His practice, on the other hand, depends upon his day by day fellowship with Christ and is a fluid condition.

## SANCTIFICATION

Sanctify means to be set apart for special service. In the Bible many things other than people are said to be sanctified -- the Tabernacle furniture (**Ex 40:10,11,13**); a mountain (**Ex 19:23**; food (**I Tim 4:5**).

Sanctify does not mean to purify or to make oneself sinless, but to set apart something for God and for His service.

In relation to the Christian, sanctification or holiness refers to being set apart to God from sin. There are three distinctly different aspects of this sanctification: past, present, and future. Every Christian can say, "*I have been sanctified; I am being sanctified; I will yet be sanctified.*"

True sanctification is turning FROM sin and turning TO God!  
(**I Thessalonians 1:9**)

**PAST SANCTIFICATION** means the believer is already positionally set apart in Christ (**Acts 20:32; I Corinthians 1:2; 1:30; 6:9-11; Hebrews 10:10,14**). When made alive, every believer is eternally sanctified in Christ; he is brought from the power of the devil into the family of God (**Acts 26:18; Galatians 4:4-6**), from the devil's kingdom into Christ's kingdom (**Colossians 1:12,13**); from the old creation into the new creation (**II Corinthians 5:17**). This sanctification is an eternal reality, and is based on a new spiritual position the Christian has in Jesus Christ. The Corinthian believers were far from sinless, yet they were called saints and were said to have been sanctified (**I Cor 1:2,30**). In this sense, the Christian can say, "*I AM sanctified in Christ.*"

**PRESENT SANCTIFICATION** is the process by which the Holy Spirit gradually changes the believer's life to give victory over sin. This is practical sanctification. This is Christian growth, putting away sin and putting on godliness (**Ro. 6:19,22; 1 Th. 4:3,4**). This present process of sanctification never ends in this life. The Christian must resist sin until he is taken from this world at death or at the return of Christ. In this sense, we say "*I AM BEING sanctified by God's power.*"

**FUTURE SANCTIFICATION** is the perfection the believer will enjoy at the resurrection (**I Thessalonians 5:23**). At Christ's coming, every believer will receive a new body that will have no sin.

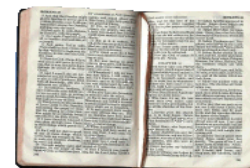
The Christian will no longer have to resist sin within or to grow toward perfection. His sanctification will be complete. He will be wholly and forever set apart to God from sin. In this, the Christian says "*I WILL BE sanctified at Christ's return.*"

## PROPITIATION

The price which is paid to meet a demand or to settle an account. The Bible says that the Lord Jesus Christ is the propitiation of our sins (**Romans 3:25; I John 2:2; 4:10**). He paid the price for our salvation. God the Father was pleased with Christ's sacrifice, so He is our one and only propitiation. God would not 'go along with us' until the price is paid.



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## REDEMPTION

Redemption means being bought and released to freedom

### What is the Price of Redemption?

We are redeemed through Christ's blood (**Col 1:14**). Those who say the blood of Christ is only symbolic for death are wrong. The blood of the O.T. animal sacrifices was symbolic, typifying the blood of Christ, but the blood was real and was required by the law of God (**Leviticus 17:11; Hebrews 9:22**). To change the word "blood" to "death" as some modern versions do is wickedness and is a denial of the atonement of Jesus Christ.

### How Permanent is Redemption?

It is eternal! " (**Hebrews 9:12**).

### What Does Redemption Involve?

Redemption involves forgiveness of sins (**Eph 1:7**); justification (**Romans 3:24**); eternal inheritance (**Hebrews 9:15**); resurrection (**Romans 8:23**).

### Three Aspects of Redemption

- (1) Past (**Galatians 3:13**). We 'have been' redeemed from the condemnation of sin and the dominion of Satan.
- (2) Present (**Titus 2:14**). We 'are being' redeemed from the power of sin and Satan in our daily lives.
- (3) Future (**Romans 8:23**). We 'shall be' redeemed from the presence of sin when Christ returns.

## RECONCILIATION

The act of bringing two parties together that were at odds with each other before they got together.

To change from enmity to friendship; restore a relationship (**Matthew 5:24; 1 Corinthians 7:11**).

Through Christ's sacrifice, believing sinners are brought into reconciliation with God. (**II Cor 5:18-20; Colossians 1:20,21; Ephesians 2**)

## ADOPTION

The act by which God takes the sinner and puts him into His family, as a son of God, when the lost soul gets saved.

It refers to a rich man choosing an orphan and making him a legal son and heir with the full privileges of such. See Mephibosheth in **II Samuel 9**.

This word is used to describe salvation in Christ (**Romans 8:15,23; Galatians 4:5; Ephesians 1:5**). In reference to Christians, adoption is a present possession, as well as a future hope.

We do not yet enjoy all the blessings of being children of God. Not until resurrection will we enjoy our new bodies and the full riches of the Father's kingdom. In this sense we look forward to the adoption as our hope (**Romans 8:23**). It also is used to refer to Israel's relationship as a nation with God (**Romans 9:4; Exodus 4:12**).

## REGENERATION

Quickened; given new life; spiritually renewed. Regeneration is used only two times in the N.T. The actual act itself, where the Holy Spirit comes into a man and gives him the new birth. (**Col 2:11-15; Heb 4:12; Romans 8:9; I Cor 12:13**)

- (1) Sinners are regenerated when they trust Jesus Christ (**Titus 3:5**). "Regeneration is the spiritual change wrought in man by the Holy Spirit, by which he becomes the possessor of a new life. It is to be distinguished from justification, because justification is a change in our relationship to God, while regeneration is a change in our moral and spiritual nature."
- (2) The nation Israel and the world will be regenerated when Christ returns (**Matthew 19:28; John 3:3**).

## IMPUTATION

The righteousness of Jesus Christ, who is the righteousness of God, is imputed, charged, accounted to the new believer. When one forsakes one's own self-righteousness and fully believes and trusts on Christ, God imputes the righteousness of Christ to that individual. **Rom 4:5-8, 11, 22-24; II Cor 5:19**

Our sins were placed upon Christ - he was made to be sin for us, being a made a curse for us. (**II Cor 5:21; Gal 3:13**) His righteousness is placed upon us when we receive Him as Saviour by our faith. We receive the faith OF Christ by our faith IN Christ. (**Rom 5:1,2; Phil 3:9; Rom 3:22; Gal 2:16,20; 3:22**)

## DISPENSATION

A dispensation means laws by which a household is operated.

*Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. But shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness.* **II Tim 2:15,16**. A result of wrongly dividing the word of truth is incorrect application of the salvations within those divisions.

*Give none offence, neither to the Jews, nor to the Gentiles, nor to the church of God* **I Corinthians 10:32**. One must know the divisions in order to know what is written FOR them as well as TO them and to know the proper salvation according the proper division. Applying facts from one dispensation to another creates a truth that has been twisted—and that is the biggest trick of the devil!

## INSPIRATION

"Inspiration" means to inhale air, and the Bible states that its words were breathed in by Almighty God through chosen men of old. **II Tim 3:16; I Cor 2:9-13; Acts 3:,18,21; 4:25; Ps 12:6,7**.

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If we don't have the inspired, God's own breathed words, then we perceive a false spirit and a false salvation. We would have a perverted and corrupted seed that can not work effectively in us (**I Thessalonians 2:13**). It would not be the quickening spirit that cuts away our soul from the flesh (**Hebrews 4:12; Colossians 2:11-16**).

It would not be that which is perfect - it would not be considered complete - finished! **I Corinthians 13:10**

## ASPIRATION

Aspiration is the pronunciation of a letter with a full emission of breath. To desire with eagerness; to pant after an object, great, noble or spiritual; To aim at something elevated; - 1828 Websters Dictionary—in other words, PREACHING!

**I Corinthians 1:18,21; 2:4; Titus 1:3** *For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God. For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe. And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power: But hath in due times manifested his word through preaching, which is committed unto me according to the commandment of God our Saviour...*

## PERSPIRATION

SWEAT! Being an active soldier takes time & work! Getting out to reach, preach & teach takes sweat! If we don't go, they don't hear!

**Romans 10:14,15** *How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!*

## GLORIFICATION

**Philippians 3:20,21; I John 3:1-3**

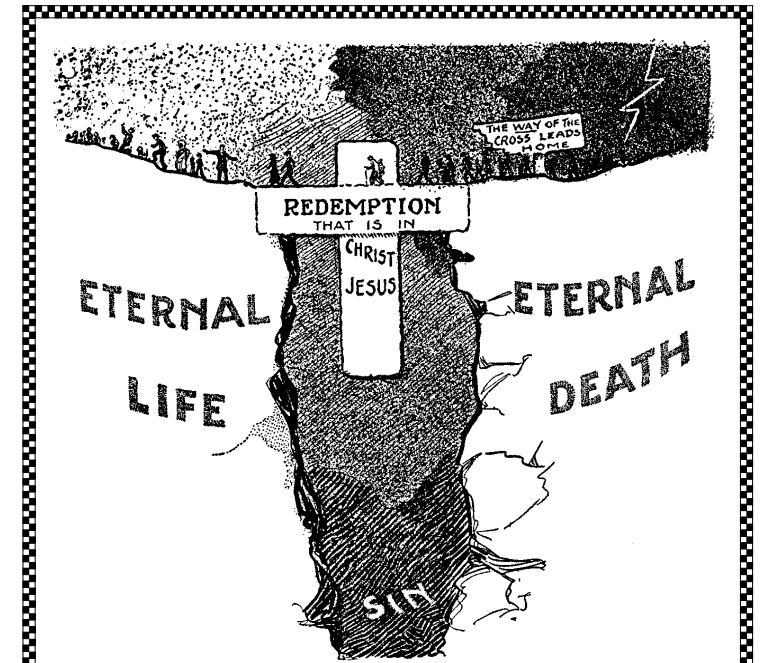
*Who shall change our vile body...*

**Job 21:26; Luke 16:15; Genesis 6:5; Isaiah 64:6; Acts 12:23; Matthew 26:41; Romans 7:18, 25; 8:5, 13; John 3:6; Galatians 5:19-21 & Galatians 2:2-6;**

*...that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body*

**Genesis 2:7; 5:1-3; Revelation 21:17; Matthew 22:30; Galatians 4:14; Romans 8:29**. Also see **Matthew 28:9 & John 20:17. John 20:19 & Luke 24:31,36. Luke 24:42,43. Luke 24:39 & I Corinthians 15:44,50.52-54. I Corinthians 13:12**

*Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.* **Ephesians 3:20**



*For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.*

**Romans 10:10**

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*For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth...* **Romans 1:16**