

JOY!

PHILIPPIANS 2:12-18

What Is Sanctification?



**WAYPOINT
CHURCH**
Know Where You're Going.

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Do you have anyone that you model your life after? Most of us would say yes. We often act more like our parents than we are to admit, but we do it with others too. The person we choose will alter how we live and what we strive towards. Today, Paul claims that we should find our joy in becoming more and more Christ like. It's not the easiest road, but it is the call of the gospel!

Call to Worship

Psalm 100

Songs of Praise

*Homecoming
O Come to the Altar*

Announcements and Offering

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Confession of Faith - New City Catechism

Q 32. What do justification and sanctification mean?

A. Justification means our declared righteousness before God, made possible by Christ's death and resurrection for us. Sanctification means our gradual, growing righteousness, made possible by the Spirit's work in us.

References - [1 Peter 1:1-2](#)

Q 33. Should those who have faith in Christ seek their salvation through their own works, or anywhere else?

A. No, they should not, as everything necessary to salvation is found in Christ. To seek salvation through good works is a denial that Christ is the only Redeemer and Savior.

References - [Galatians 2:16](#)

Song of Declaration

To My Knees

Sermon - What Is Sanctification?

Sermon Scripture - [Philippians 2:12-18](#)

Obedience

- **What is sanctification?**
 - *Sanctification is the work of God's free grace by which we are renewed throughout in the image of God and are enabled more and more to die to sin and live to righteousness. - **Westminster Shorter Catechism #35***
- **Why should we obey? Where does Paul ground his argument?**
 - [Philippians 2:1-11](#)
- **Why do we "work out our salvation" with fear and trembling?**

Hopeful Expectation

- **What is hope?**
 - [Philippians 2:13](#)
- **Who does the work of salvation? How do the 10 commandments help us see this reality?**
 - [Exodus 20:2](#)
- **What do we learn in [Ezekiel 36:27](#)?**

- [Ephesians 4:22-24](#)

Sacrificial Living

- What are we called to be in this passage?
 - [Philippians 2:14-17](#)
- What is the purpose of trials?
- How are we a sacrifice?
 - [Galatians 2:20](#)
 - [Philippians 2:17](#)

Song of Response

A King Like This

Benediction

1. Who or what has God used most in your life to help you grow in your faith?
2. How would you define sanctification?
3. What comes to mind when Paul says “work out your salvation with fear and trembling?”
How does our view of God effect our thoughts on this statement?
4. Read [Ezekiel 36:27](#) and [Ephesians 4:22-24](#). What do these two authors state about us?
How should this change the way we live?
5. What, if any, areas of your life do you believe God may be calling you to “sacrifice” for the kingdom?
6. What is one way that you can let someone know how much you appreciate their impact on your Christian walk?