





SERMON OUTLINE FOR DIGITAL DOWNLOAD

Lesson Six: From Justified to Sanctified

 **Date:** October 19, 2025

 **Primary Text:** John 17:14–21

 **Supporting Scriptures:** Romans 5:17; Romans 8:14–17, 28–30; John 17:17, 19; Hebrews 10:10; 1 Corinthians 1:30; 2 Thessalonians 2:13; Romans 12:1–2; Philippians 2:12–13; Exodus 19:5–6; 2 Timothy 2:20–21

I. REVIEW: From Justified to Reigning

Last week, we unpacked the doctrine of **Justification**:

- God doesn't just *forgive* us — He *declares us righteous*.
- Not only are we *not guilty*, but we've been *credited with the righteousness of Christ*.
- This postures us to **reign in life**, not just survive it.

Romans 5:17

"...those who receive abundance of grace and the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ."

Key Thought:

"Justification doesn't just clear your record — it crowns you with authority."

II. TRANSITION: What Comes After Justification?

Answer: Sanctification

- **Justification** = What Christ did *for* us
- **Sanctification** = What the Holy Spirit is doing *in* us

Salvation is not just a *transaction* — it's a *transformation*.

Romans 8:30

"Whom He justified, these He also glorified..."

Before glory can be revealed through us, sanctification must be established in us.

III. UNDERSTANDING SANCTIFICATION: THREE DIMENSIONS

A. Positional Sanctification – What God has done for us

- **1 Corinthians 1:30 (AMP)** – "Christ... became to us... sanctification."
- **Hebrews 10:10 (AMP)** – "We have been sanctified... once for all."

We are legally and spiritually **set apart** for God at salvation.

B. Progressive Sanctification – What the Holy Spirit is doing in us

- **John 17:17 (AMP)** – "Sanctify them in truth; Your Word is truth."
- **2 Thessalonians 2:13 (AMP)** – "...through the sanctifying work of the Spirit..."

This is a **daily process** of transformation and renewal.

C. Practical Sanctification – What we live out before others

- **Romans 12:1–2 (AMP)** – "Present your bodies... holy... be transformed..."
- **Philippians 2:12–13 (AMP)** – "Work out your salvation... for it is God who works in you..."

A sanctified life is a **living witness** of God's righteousness and power.



IV. THE DEFINITION OF SANCTIFICATION

Greek: *Hagiasmos*

Hebrew: *Qādēsh / Qadosh*

Means:

“To set apart, make holy, consecrate for God’s purpose.”

Hebraic Word Breakdown:

- **Qof** – Set apart, sacred, cyclical renewal
- **Dalet** – Door, transition, access point
- **Shin** – Fire, refinement, divine transformation

Interpretation:

“To enter the door of divine fire that transforms, purifies, and separates for holy use.”

Key Thought:

“Sanctification is not first about behavior — it’s about *belonging*.”

V. IDENTITY BEFORE BEHAVIOR

Romans 8:14

“As many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are the sons of God.”

- Sanctification begins with the **revelation of sonship**.
- The Spirit sanctifies to **confirm** our identity — not to condemn us.

Romans 8:15–17 – “...we cry, ‘Abba, Father’... heirs of God, joint heirs with Christ...”

Key Truth:

“Sanctification is not how we *earn* sonship — it’s how we *express* it.”

VI. SANCTIFICATION IS UNTO PURPOSE

Romans 8:29–30 – “...predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son...”

The Process:

1. **Identity** → Sons
2. **Leading** → By the Spirit
3. **Transformation** → Into Christ’s image
4. **Purpose** → To reveal His glory

Sanctification = The journey from slavery to sonship.

“Holiness is not a burden — it’s a birthright.”

VII. SANCTIFICATION AND ASSIGNMENT

Sanctification is not just separation from sin — it’s preparation for **service**.

2 Timothy 2:21 (KJV)

“...a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the Master’s use...”

Order of Purpose:

1. **Purge** – Separate from defilement
2. **Sanctify** – Set apart
3. **Prepared** – Ready to be used

Key Thought:

“If you’re not set apart, you’re not set up for assignment.”



VIII. CHARACTER BEFORE CALLING

- **Sanctification shapes our character** to match our calling.
- Gifts may open doors — but **only character keeps you effective**.

Without sanctification:

- Power turns into pride
- Authority becomes abuse
- Assignment becomes ambition

With sanctification:

- The anointing flows without hindrance
- The motives are purified
- The glory goes to God alone

IX. SANCTIFICATION = ALIGNMENT WITH HEAVEN

When you're sanctified, you stop chasing *opportunity* and start moving by *assignment*.

Romans 12:2 – "...that you may prove what is the good, acceptable, and perfect will of God."

X. SANCTIFICATION IS SUSTAINING

It builds what gifting alone cannot:

- **Integrity** to carry influence
- **Endurance** under pressure

Key Thought:

"Sanctification ensures your assignment won't collapse under your anointing."

XI. BACK TO JOHN 17 – JESUS OUR MODEL

John 17:19 (AMP)

"For their sake I sanctify Myself... that they also may be sanctified in truth."

- Jesus was fully **consecrated** to the Father's will.
- His **assignment was sustained** by sanctification.

Key Truth:

"You cannot effectively represent a holy God unless you are transformed by His holiness."

XII. CLOSING CALL: SANCTIFIED FOR GLORY

A. The Invitation

God is calling His Church **out of mixture** and back into consecration.

B. The Challenge

Will you walk through the **Dalet (door)** and into the **Shin (fire)** — the refining presence of God?

C. The Promise

If you yield to sanctification, the **glory of God will rest** on your life.