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FAITH OR SIN?

Faith or Sin? Life or Death?
 Rom 14:23 – faith or sin?
 Heb 12:2 – faith: looking away unto Jesus

THE CROSS

What is a cross?
 • An instrument of death!

The Just	By Faith	Shall Live
The Way	The Truth	The Life

JUSTIFICATION BY HIS BLOOD

The Answer to the problem of *sins* and *sin*.

- Our *sins* were forgiven by the *blood* of Christ.
 - Romans 5:8-9 (Rom 3:25 – He passed over)
 - We should never try to answer Satan's accusations with our good conduct but *always with the blood of our Lord Jesus*.
- Our *sin* was dealt with by the *cross* of Christ.
 - We came into the sin nature through birth, we must go out by death.
 - Romans 6:3-4

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Justification: *declared righteous on the grounds of Christ's blood and death alone. (Romans 1-5)*

- Personally true **by faith alone** in the historical fact of the cross (the work of Christ)
- An act done *for us* – once and final
- Removes the **guilt** and **penalty** of sin

Sanctification: *set apart in order that His purposes may be accomplished in me by His Spirit (Romans 6-8)*

- Personally true **by faith alone** in the historical fact of the resurrection (the work of the Spirit)
- A work done *in us* – ongoing process
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Justification: *occurs in the spirit of man*

- Removes the **guilt** and **penalty** of sin
- An act done *for us* – once and **final**
 - Eph 1:13,14 & 1 Cor 1:22

Sanctification: *occurs in the soul (mind, will, emotions) of man*

- Removes the **growth** and **power** of sin
- A work done *in us* – ongoing process

Glorification (Ultimate Sanctification: 1 Thes 5:23)

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Sanctification – Sanctify originates from the Greek word *hagiazō*, which means to be “separate” or to be “set apart.”

- In the Bible, sanctification generally relates to a sovereign act of God whereby **He** “sets apart” a person, place, or thing in order that His purposes may be accomplished.
 - Genesis 2:3** – sanctified a day
 - Exodus 29:43** – sanctified the tabernacle
 - Leviticus 22:32** – His name

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- The distinction between *having been* sanctified and *being* sanctified is important.
 - Sanctified (our perfect standing in holiness)
 - The very moment we are saved in Christ (justified – declared righteous) we are also immediately sanctified
 - 1 Corinthians 1:2** – “to those who have been sanctified”
 - Acts 2:32** – “sanctified”
 - Ephesians 1:4 & Colossians 3:12 & Hebrews 3:1** – “holy”
 - Colossians 1:13,14** – “transferred”

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- The distinction between *having been* sanctified and *being* sanctified is important.
 - being* sanctified (our daily growth in grace) – because we have been sanctified, by His doing (the Spirit) we are being conformed to the image of Christ.
 - We are becoming in practice more and more set apart for God’s use by His work in us.
 - Hebrews 10:14** – “who are being sanctified”
 - Thessalonians 5:23** – “spirit, soul, and body”
 - Romans 5:2** – “into this grace in which we stand”

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- The process of *being* sanctified.
 - It is Him at work in us, not us at work in us.
 - 1 Corinthians 1:30** – “but by His doing”
 - 2 Corinthians 3:5** – nothing coming from us!
 - Colossians 1:13,14** – “He made you alive”
 - Philippians 1:6** – “He who began a good work”
 - Philippians 2:13** – “for it is God who is at work in you”

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- The process of *being* sanctified.
 - The flesh is powerless to help us in anyway!
 - The “flesh” is man looking to himself (missing the mark)
 - Romans 8:3-4** – flesh vs. spirit
 - Romans 10:4** – “Christ is the end of the Law”
 - Romans 7:4** – if we don’t realize that we are dead to the law (efforts of the flesh to do and be right) we will not grow into abundant life. (**Romans 9:13**)
 - Galatians 5:17** – “the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit”

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- The process of *being* sanctified.
 - Sanctification is by faith (looking away unto Jesus) not by works.
 - Galatians 3:2,3** – “are you now being perfected by the flesh?”
 - We must “present” ourselves (the will) – **Romans 6:13**
Sanctification is the process of learning to continually look away unto Jesus and is never looking to or expecting something of worth or value to come from me!

death

boastfulness
sensuality
idolatry
strife
jealousy
unforgiveness
disputes

sin



faith



life



life

peace
goodness
flessness
generosity
trustworthiness