

Systematic Theology 2 (TH4)

Theology of Sanctification and Glorification

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Apr. 4 – Re-Intro to Systematic Theology; God’s Providence

Apr. 11 – Doctrine of Humanity

Apr. 18 – **No Class** (Holy Week)

Apr. 25 – Doctrines of Sin & Redemption

May 2 – **No Class**

May 9 – **No Class**

May 16 – Doctrines of Sanctification & Glorification

May 23 – Doctrine of the Church

May 30 – Doctrines of the Sacraments & Gifts of the Holy Spirit

June 6 – Doctrine of the Future; Final Exam

Three Parts to God's Plan of Salvation

- 1. Justification** – God's unconditional love shown to us by the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross, paying the debt for our sins and making it possible for us to be saved.
 - 2. Sanctification** – the process by which we are made holy, both immediately as we accept Jesus and are saved, and then progressively through the rest of our lives as we allow the Holy Spirit to further sanctify us and make us more like Jesus.
 - 3. Glorification** – the final completed perfection we will experience when Jesus returns, as we received our resurrected bodies and enter into the kingdom of heaven.
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Doctrine of Sanctification

Sanctification – the process of acquiring sanctity, or being made or becoming more holy.

From Latin “***sanctus***” (*holy*) and “***facere***” (*to make*). (Translation of Greek ***hagiazō***.)

To **sanctify** anything is to set it aside for a sacred purpose. This can apply to *anything* – temple vessels, special days, and especially a person who has been committed to God and so is in the process of being made more holy.

Doctrine of Sanctification

Our **Sanctification** is not a product of our own merits or efforts, but is entirely through the merits of Jesus, as applied to our lives by the Holy Spirit.

Sanctification occurs as a result of our justification/salvation – the next step. Upon our salvation the Holy Spirit enters us, we are no longer held hostage to death but are free to live as God desires. But because of our habitual sin, sanctification is a progressive process throughout our lives, by which we are made more holy.



Doctrine of Sanctification

Those who cleanse themselves from the latter will be instruments for special purposes, made holy, useful to the Master and prepared to do any good work.

2 Timothy 2:20-21

So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. ¹⁷ For the flesh desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the flesh. They are in conflict with each other, so that you are not to do whatever you want.

Galatians 5:16-18

For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy. Hebrews 10:14

Doctrine of Sanctification

...we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. Hebrews 10:10

As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance. ¹⁵ But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; ¹⁶ for it is written: “Be holy, because I am holy.” 1 Peter 1:14-16

Make every effort to live in peace with everyone and to be holy; without holiness no one will see the Lord. Hebrews 12:14-15

Doctrine of Sanctification

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. ²⁴ The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

Doctrine of Glorification

Glorification – the final completed perfection we will experience when Jesus returns, as we received our resurrected bodies and enter into the kingdom of heaven.

Glorification is the completion, the consummation, the perfection, the full and final realization of salvation.

Glorification is the Protestant alternative to Purgatory -- the means by which the elect receive perfection before entering the kingdom of heaven.

Doctrine of Glorification

So will it be with the resurrection of the dead. The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable; ⁴³ it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; ⁴⁴ it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. 1 Corinthians 15:42-44

For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. ³⁰ And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified. Rom. 8:29-30