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# Logistics & Learning Objectives:

- Learning Objectives. Participants will gain an understanding of:
  - a. The doctrine of Sanctification
  - The differences between forensic justification and transformational/ethical justification
  - c. What God expects of as you live a life for Him
- 2. For more information please visit studioscriptura.com

"Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith."

Hebrews 12:2

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"As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving." Colossians 2:6-7

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"If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them." Colossians 3:3-7

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"I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish."

Galatians 5:16-17

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I find then a law, that evil is present with me, the one who wills to do good.

For I delight in the law of God according to the inward man.

But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?

I thank God—through Jesus Christ our Lord!"

Romans 7:21-25

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#### Sanctification



"The continuation of salvation - Sanctification is the continuing work of God in the life of believers, making them actually holy - bearing an actual likeness to God. Sanctification is a process by which one's moral condition is brought into conformity with one's legal status before God."

"Holiness refers to a state of being separate, set apart from the ordinary or mundane and dedicated to a particular purpose or use."

"Sanctification is moral goodness or spiritual worth. It designates not merely the fact that believers are formally set apart, or belong to Christ, but that they are then to conduct themselves accordingly."

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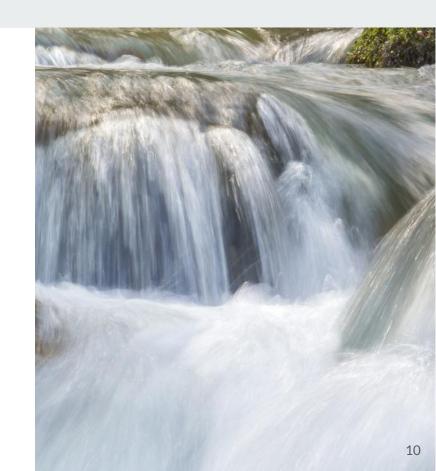
#### Sanctification (continued)

"Being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ." Philippians 1:6

"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them." Ephesian 2:10

"But *grow* in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." 2 Peter 3:18

"For this reason we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, for all patience and longsuffering with joy" Colossians 1:9-11



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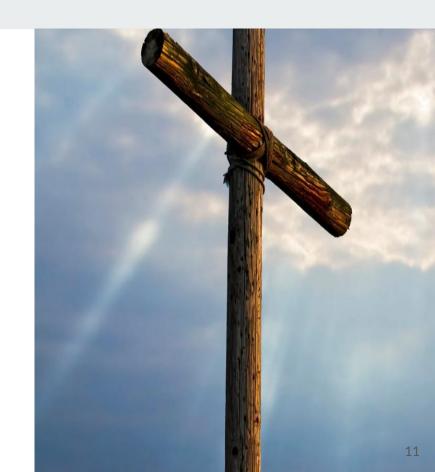
#### Forensic Justification - A few reminders

Forensic: belonging to, used in, or suitable to courts of judicature (the administration of justice) or to public discussion and debate. (https://www.merriam-webstercom/dictionary/forensic)

A divine verdict of acquittal pronounced on the believing sinner. Happens at the time of salvation

"For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him." 2 Corinthians 5:21

When God sees you (assuming you placed your faith and trust in Jesus Christ as Saviour & Lord, and have confessed with your mouth that you believe Hee has been raised from the dead for your justification) He sees you as righteous as Jesus!





## Ethical/Transformational Justification

Ethical: From *ethos*, the distinguishing character or moral nature of a person.

Transform: Change the form of, change in shape. From trans "beyond" + formare "to form". Undergo a change of form.

Transformational justification - Sanctification - a daily process during the believer's life on this earth.

If we are viewed by God as righteous as Christ - then how do we live and love like Jesus in our daily life?

If my Christian life began by faith then what is the next ingredient for me to continue growing in my Christian life?

#### Ethical/Transformational Justification (continued)

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed *from faith* to *faith*; as it is written, "The just shall *live by* faith." Romans 1:16-17

"As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving." Colossians 2:6-7

"As His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue, by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust." 2 Peter 1:3-4



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## **Evidentiary Matter**



"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.
Against such there is no law."

Galatians 5:22-23

## **Evidentiary Matter** (continued)

Out of your heart will flow rivers of living water John 7:38







#### A Biblical Model

"Whatever He says to you - do it" Matthew 2:5

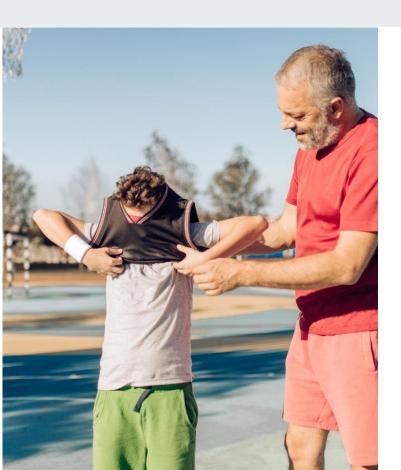
- ☐ Empty yourself Phil 2
- ☐ Chose to do His will John 7
- Present your body Romans 12
- ☐ Renew your mind Romans 12
- → Place yourself under authority Matthew 8.
- Sanctify your mind by the word of truth John 17
- Focus on Him Hebrews 12

## Daily Disciplines

- Faith
- Put off / Put on
- Prayer
- Fasting
- Giving
- Bible Reading & Study
- Bible Memorization & Meditation
- Personal Evangelism
- Faith



#### Put off / Put on



"But you have not so learned Christ, if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus: that you **put off**, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts, and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, and that you **put on** the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness." Ephesians 4:20-24

"Therefore let us **cast off** the works of darkness, and let us **put on** the armor of light. Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts. Romans 13:12b-14

## Prayer

Now in the morning, having risen a long while before daylight, He went out and departed to a solitary place; and there He prayed.

Mark 1:35



## Fasting



Moreover, when you fast, do not be like the hypocrites, with a sad countenance. For they disfigure their faces that they may appear to men to be fasting. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. But you, when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you do not appear to men to be fasting, but to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly. Matthew 6:16-18

## Giving

"But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work.

As it is written: "He has dispersed abroad, He has given to the poor; His righteousness endures forever." Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness, while you are enriched in everything for all liberality, which causes thanksgiving through us to God."

2 Corinthians 9:6-11



## Bible Reading & Study



"So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." Romans 10:17

#### Memorize & Meditate

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. Colossians 3:16



## Personal Evangelism



"Then He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." Matthew 4:19

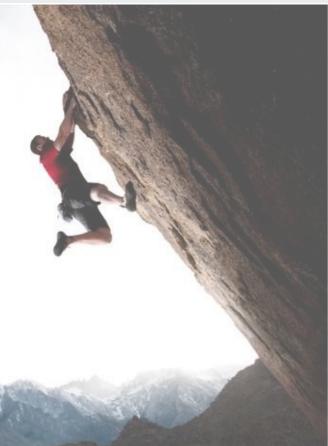
#### Perseverance of the Saints

"If there is one doctrine I have preached more than another, it is the doctrine of the **Perseverance** of the Saints even to the end." Charles Spurgeon

"They whom God hath accepted in His Beloved, effectually called and sanctified by His Spirit, can neither totally nor finally fall away from the state of grace; but shall certainly persevere therein to the end, and be eternally saved." John Calvin

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time." 1 Peter 1:3-5

"And I give them eternal life, and they **shall never perish**; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand. I and My Father are one." John 10:28-30





The world is diligently looking for Christians who truly live a redeemed life.

No one will pay much attention to your evangelsitic message if your life is not transformed. "I like your Christ, but not your Christianity."

We need to grasp the biblical truth of transformational justification in order to help disciple others in our most holy faith.



Which passages in this evening's slides had the most impact on you? Why?



Assess your normal daily activity and grade yourself 1-5 for each line item on slides 20 & 21. Which need more "transformation in your life?

No one will pay much attention to your evangelsitic message if your life is not being daily transformed into His image. How can you make your life more winsome for the Gospel?

We need to know the biblical truth of transformational justification in order to help disciple others in our most holy faith. Who is God prompting you to disciple in the Christian faith?

