

**TRUTH THAT LEADS TO
*GODLINESS***

Exploring the Biblical Essentials for Every Believer

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What is sanctification?

1 Peter 1:14-16

[14] As obedient children, do not be conformed to the **passions of your former ignorance**, [15] but as he who called you is holy, **you also be holy in all your conduct**, [16] since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."

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Romans 8:29

[29] For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son...

Colossians 1:15

[15] [Christ] is the **image of the invisible God**, the firstborn of all creation.

John 1:18

[18] No one has ever seen God; God the only Son, who is at the Father's side, **he has made him known.**

John 8:19

[19] ... "You know neither me nor my Father. If you knew me, you would know my Father also."

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3 Senses of Sanctification

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[2] ... those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ...

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[20] But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, [21] who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body...

John 13:34–35

[34] A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: **just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another.** [35] By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

Hebrews 10:14

[14] For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.

Ezekiel 36:26–27

[26] And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. [27] And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.



Sanctification is guaranteed in the nature
of the New Covenant!

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Salvation Motivates Sanctification

1. Salvation frees us from the penalty of our sin (v. 11)
2. Salvation trains us to conquer our sin (v. 12)
3. Salvation gives us eternal hope to fight our sin (v. 13)
4. Salvation transforms us to desire sanctification over our sin (v. 14)

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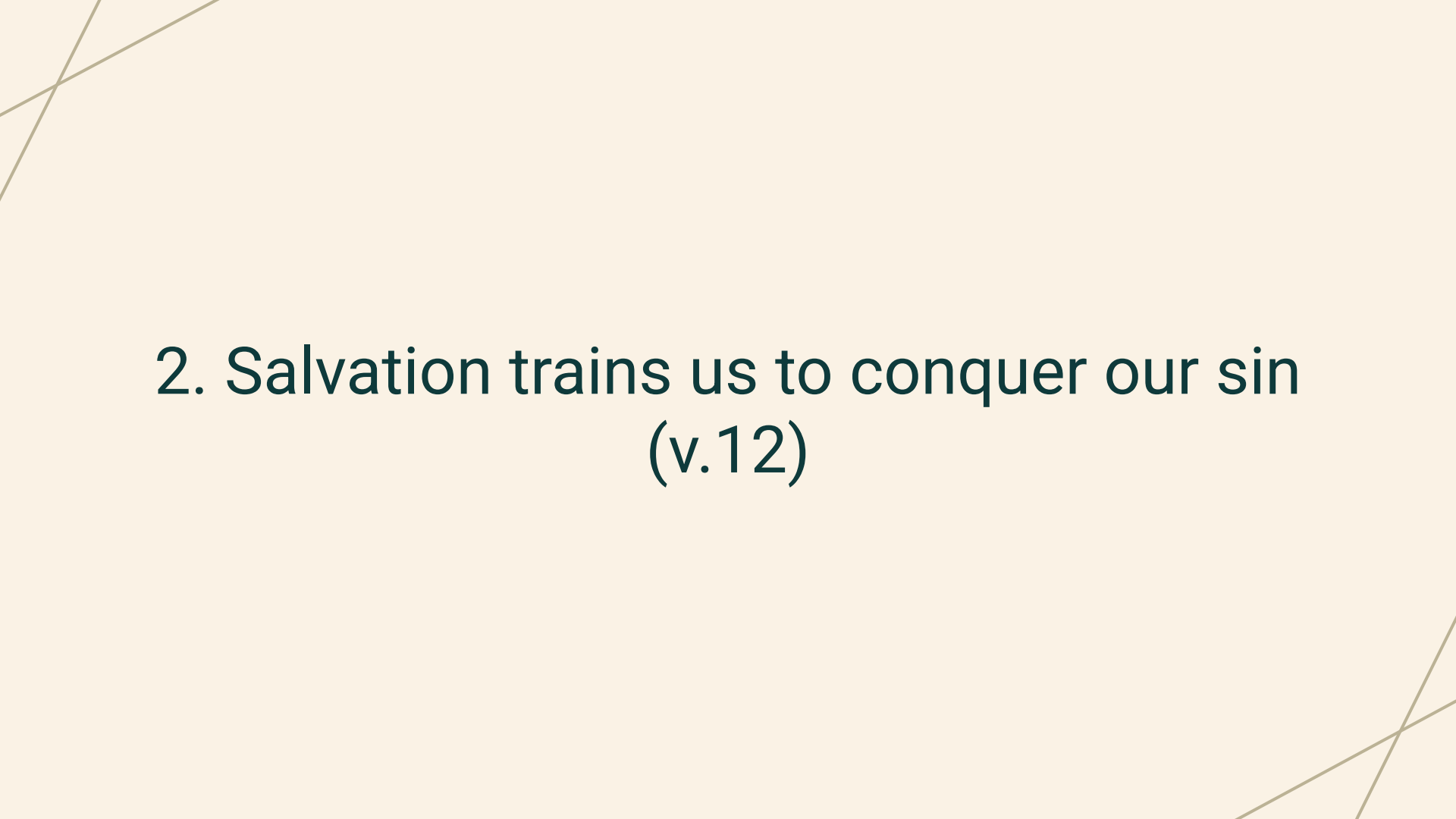
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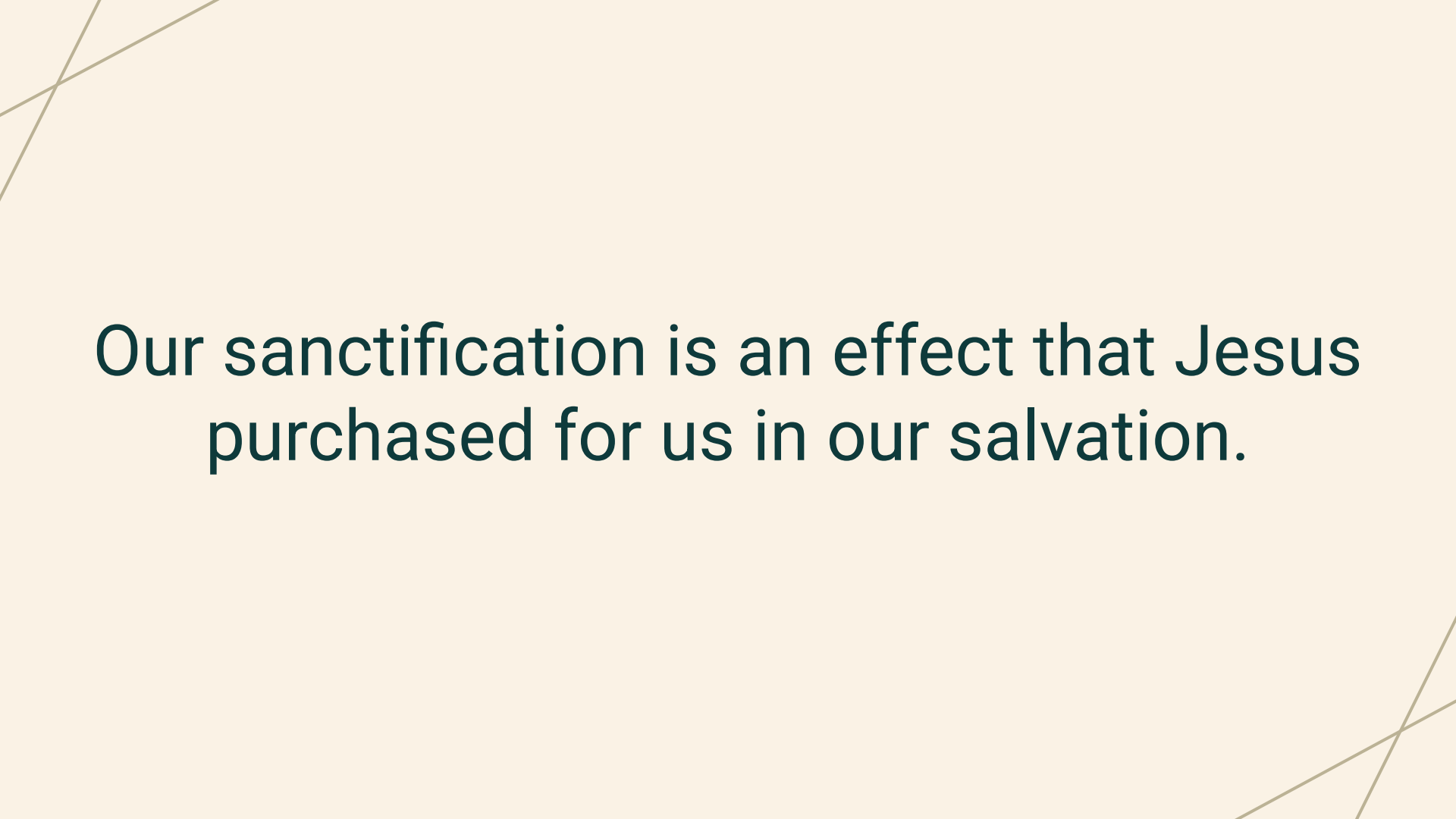
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Our sanctification is an effect that Jesus purchased for us in our salvation.

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Matthew 10:33

[33] But whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.

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We are to be active in our pursuit of the
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Ephesians 6:10-11

[10] Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. [11] Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil... [14] Stand therefore, having fastened on the **belt of truth**, and having put on the breastplate of **righteousness**, [15] and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by **the gospel of peace**. [16] In all circumstances take up the shield of **faith**, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; [17] and take the **helmet of salvation**, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the **word of God**, [18] **praying** at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication...

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Looking to eternity future motivates us to
obey today.

Hebrews 12:1–2

[1] Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, [2] **looking to Jesus**, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who **for the joy that was set before him** endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

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Ephesians 2:8–10

[8] For by grace you have been **saved through faith**. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, [9] not a result of works, so that no one may boast. [10] For we are his workmanship, **created in Christ Jesus for good works**, which God prepared beforehand, **that we should walk in them**.

We now have a **zealousness** for the good works prepared beforehand for us in Christ.

2 Corinthians 3:18

[18] And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

Discussion Questions

1. How does knowing you have been freed from sin's penalty encourage you to pursue holiness? (v. 11)
2. Share an experience you have had with the truth that salvation trains us to conquer sin in our lives (v. 12)
3. How does the truth of eternal life influence your daily life (v. 13)?
How could it influence your daily life more?
4. How have you seen your own desires transformed towards Godly living?
 - On this topic, is there anything in particular you'd like to ask your table to pray for you for?

Sanctification is *fueled* by the depths of
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