

SANCTIFY – the process of making something or someone sacred and set apart

Exodus 19:10 – And the Lord said unto Moses, go unto the people, and sanctify them today and tomorrow, and let them wash their clothes. (KJV)

Exodus 19:5-6 – Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of Although the whole earth is mine, you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. These are the words you are to speak to the Israelites. (NIV)

Exodus 19:15-16 – Then he said to the people, "Prepare yourselves for the third day. Abstain from sexual relations. On the morning of the third day there was thunder and lightning, with a thick cloud over the mountain, and a very loud trumpet blast. Everyone in the camp trembled. (NIV)

### Sanctification is a process

- God gave Israel time to sanctify themselves
- God gives us time to sanctify ourselves



#### Sanctification causes us to run:

- To God
- Away from God

Exodus 19:24 – Then the Lord replied, "Go down and bring Aaron up with you. But the priests and the people must not force through to come up to the Lord, or he will break out against them."



#### Sanctification kills selfishness

Sanctification = Going to God and admitting my inadequacies, failures, or weaknesses and asking Him to change me to be like Jesus

NOT Sanctification = Asking God to change anyone or everyone else to be like Jesus



1 Thessalonians 5:23 – 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. (NIV)



# Sanctification is co-operating with God to become like His Son



#### Sanctification and Evangelism

1 Peter 2:9-10 - But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy."

# Before sharing the Gospel with others, share it with yourself.



## Sanctification and Discipleship

It is a consciously chosen and sustained relationship of interaction between the Lord and his apprentice, in which the apprentice is able to do, and routinely does, what he or she knows to be right before God." – Dallas Willard

Sanctification is an essential element of Christian life just like justification. Justification is the beginning, sanctification moves through everything after that.





The more we worship, the more we desire to look like Jesus.



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