

THEOLOGY II: Doctrine of Bible and Salvation

Session 5 - Ordo Salutis 2- Dr. Jeremy Kimble

Gospel

Union with Christ

Order of Salvation... Foreknowledge... Predestination/Election...

Calling... Gospel & Spirit intersect in our hearts in a saving way.

Regeneration... We're dead. We need new life.

Conversion - Faith and Repentance...

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son Col 1:13

Justification... You're guilty and need **declared not guilty**. Innocent.
It's a legal act, a forensic rendering, we stand righteous.
before God due to our union with Christ.

Sanctification... not the same thing as justification. Set apart.

Perseverance... Are we secure in our salvation?

Glorification... No more sin, resurrected bodies - our hope

The Pharisee (self-sufficiency) and the Tax Collector (I recognize my sin)

Jesus also told this parable to some who were confident that they were righteous and looked down on everyone else. "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed about himself like this: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: extortionists, unrighteous people, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of everything I get.' The tax collector, however, stood far off and would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, be merciful to me, sinner that I am!' I tell you that this man went down to his home justified rather than the Pharisee. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted." Luke 18:9-14

And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness. (Abraham) Rom 4:5

Protestant

Justified by faith alone

A point in time

Turned from darkness

To Jesus

To declare just. Act of God.

Roman Catholic Church RCC

Justified by faith and works

(sacraments) Ongoing

Merging with sanctification

- The genuine mark of a believer... Are you believing in Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins??? Present tense.

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

"I did not love — no, rather I hated — the just God who punishes sinners." But then Luther realized Paul was describing righteousness as a gift God gives, which we receive by faith.

"Night and day I pondered until I saw the connection between the justice of God and the statement that 'the just shall live by his faith.' Then I grasped that the justice of God is that righteousness by which through grace and sheer mercy God justifies us through faith. Thereupon I felt myself to be reborn and to have gone through open doors into paradise."

– *Martin Luther*
Reformation

- Righteousness is **imputed** to us: Put something on someone's account. God puts righteousness on the account of our lives.

*Therefore, since we have been **justified by faith**, we have **peace with God** (objective - whether we feel it or not but because of that... we should feel peace (subjective) **through our Lord Jesus Christ**. Rom 5:1*

- **Adoption:** You're an orphan and you're brought into this family of God by grace.

*For all who are led by the Spirit of God are **sons of God**. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and **fellow heirs with Christ**, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him. Rom 8:14-17*

- **Sanctification:** The process (and also a declaration) in which God makes that declaration of justification an experiential reality. Justification says you are free from the **penalty of sin**. Sanctification says we're delivered from the **power of sin**. Ongoingly. A continual process with ups and downs but an overall upward trajectory.

Cedarville Doctrinal Statement

We believe that every believer should walk by the Spirit and engage in practices that stimulate spiritual maturity. Christians grow as they worship and serve the Lord, study Scriptures, pray and live in fellowship with other believers. Christians are also to flee evil influences and practices that hinder a Spirit-filled life....

Do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers. For what partnership has righteousness with lawlessness? Or what fellowship has light with darkness? What accord has Christ with Belial? Or what portion does a believer share with an unbeliever? (Nothing. We shouldn't have that) What agreement has the temple of God with idols? For we are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will make my dwelling among them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Therefore go out from their midst, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch no unclean thing: then I will welcome you and I will be a father to you, and you shall be sons and daughters to me, says the Lord Almighty." 2 Cor 6:14-18

*Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, bringing holiness to completion in the fear of God.
2 Cor 7:1*

- **Set apart:** Israel, a holy nation, was set apart to live in this way, purely amongst all nations so they will know who Yahwah is and turn to Yahwah in worship. Is my life set apart in a way that would make me distinct from the world? It's a growing process by the means God has given us... the Bible, prayer, God's community - your local church.
- **The Holy Spirit is holy** and has one job which is to make us holy.

*but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, "**You shall be holy, for I am holy.**" 2 Pet 1:15-16*