

1) SANCTIFICATION

a) Introduction

- i) God's grace as God's favor towards us.
- ii) God's grace as God's power within us
- iii) Jesus as Savior
- iv) Jesus as Lord

b) Contrasting Justification and Sanctification

- i) J. speaks of God's gift to us. S speaks of our response to that gift.
- ii) J says God is for us; S says God is working in us.
- iii) J speaks of God's promise to be our God; S speaks of the way we must live as God's people.

c) Justification and Sanctification are related:

- i) As gift to task
- ii) As creed to deed
- iii) As Theology to Ethics
- iv) As Faith to life
- v) Paul sees this clearly in many of his letters. A good example is Ephesians.
- vi) We can distinguish Justification and Sanctification but we must never separate them.
- vii) The goal of the Church's preaching cannot stop when someone responds to the "altar call".
- viii) We must not remain "born again" infants
- ix) We must "grow in grace", mature in the faith. Sanctification is "growing up".