

becoming
who you are



“Free From Judgment”

(Part 2)

Romans 8:2-4

Overview of Romans 6 - 8

- I. Romans 6 – Victory over the Bondage of Sin
- II. Romans 7 – Liberty from Bondage to the Law
- III. Romans 8 – Security in the Holy Spirit

KEY POINT:

The Christian will not face ultimate judgment because he has the righteousness of Christ.

Understanding *Justification and Sanctification*

1. *Justification* – from word meaning “to release from punishment or obligation”; to be declared righteous

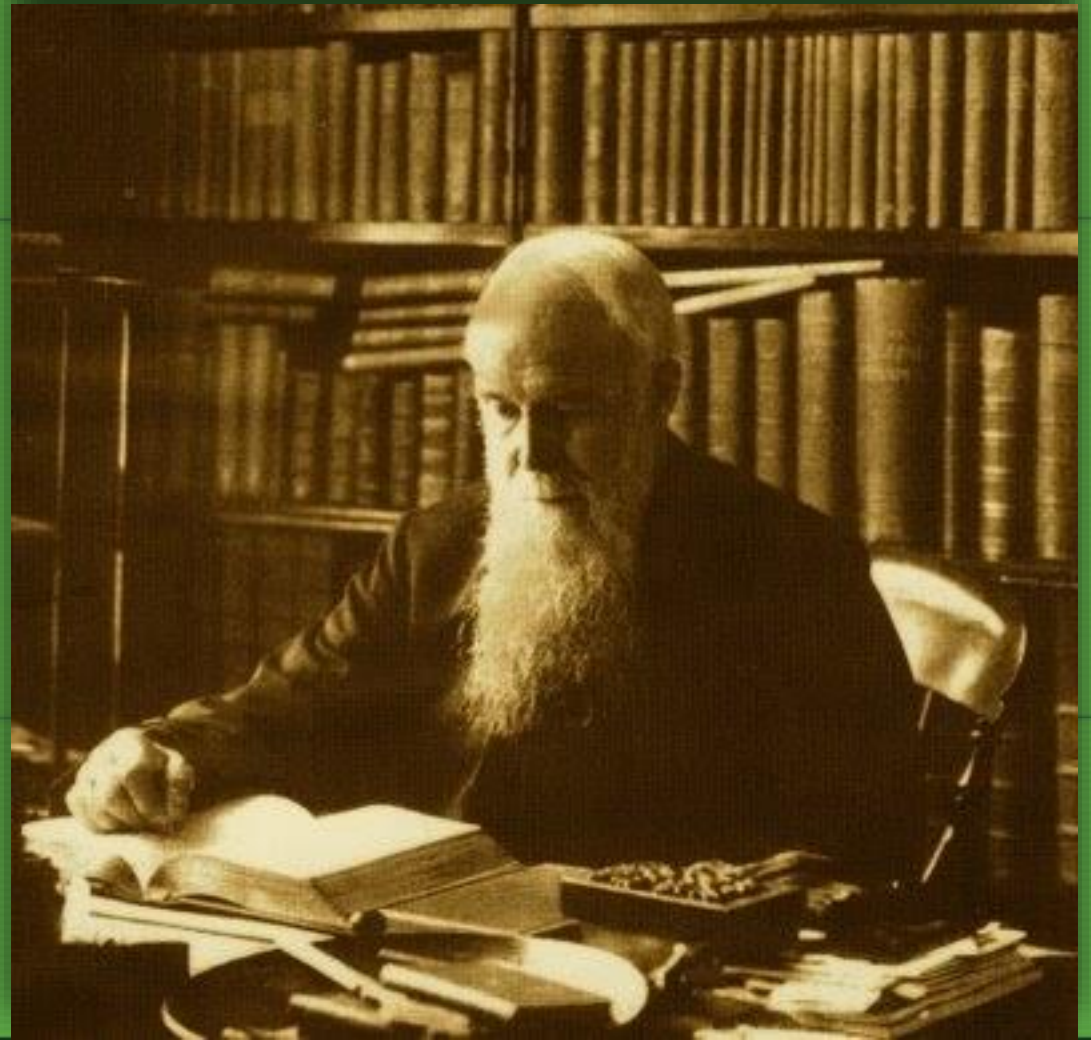
2. *Sanctification* – from word meaning “to be made holy”; to be made righteous

HOW ARE THEY ALIKE?

- a. Both proceed from the free grace of God.***
- b. Both are part of His great work of salvation.***
- c. Those who are justified are always sanctified; those who are sanctified are always justified.***
- d. Both begin at the same time: the moment of salvation.***

JUSTIFICATION	SANCTIFICATION
Happens at a point in time	Occurs progressively
The <i>reckoning</i> and counting a man to be righteous	The actual <i>making</i> a man inwardly righteous
<i>Not our own</i> , but the perfect righteousness our Mediator imputed to us and made our own	<i>Our own</i> righteousness, imparted, inherent, and wrought in us by the Spirit
Our own works have no place at all.	Our own works are of vast importance.
Perfect and complete work at the moment a man believes	Imperfect work never completed until man reaches heaven
Entirely the work of God	Requires faithful obedience through God's enabling
The act of God <i>about us</i>	The work of God <i>within us</i>
Positional	Practical
Objective	Subjective

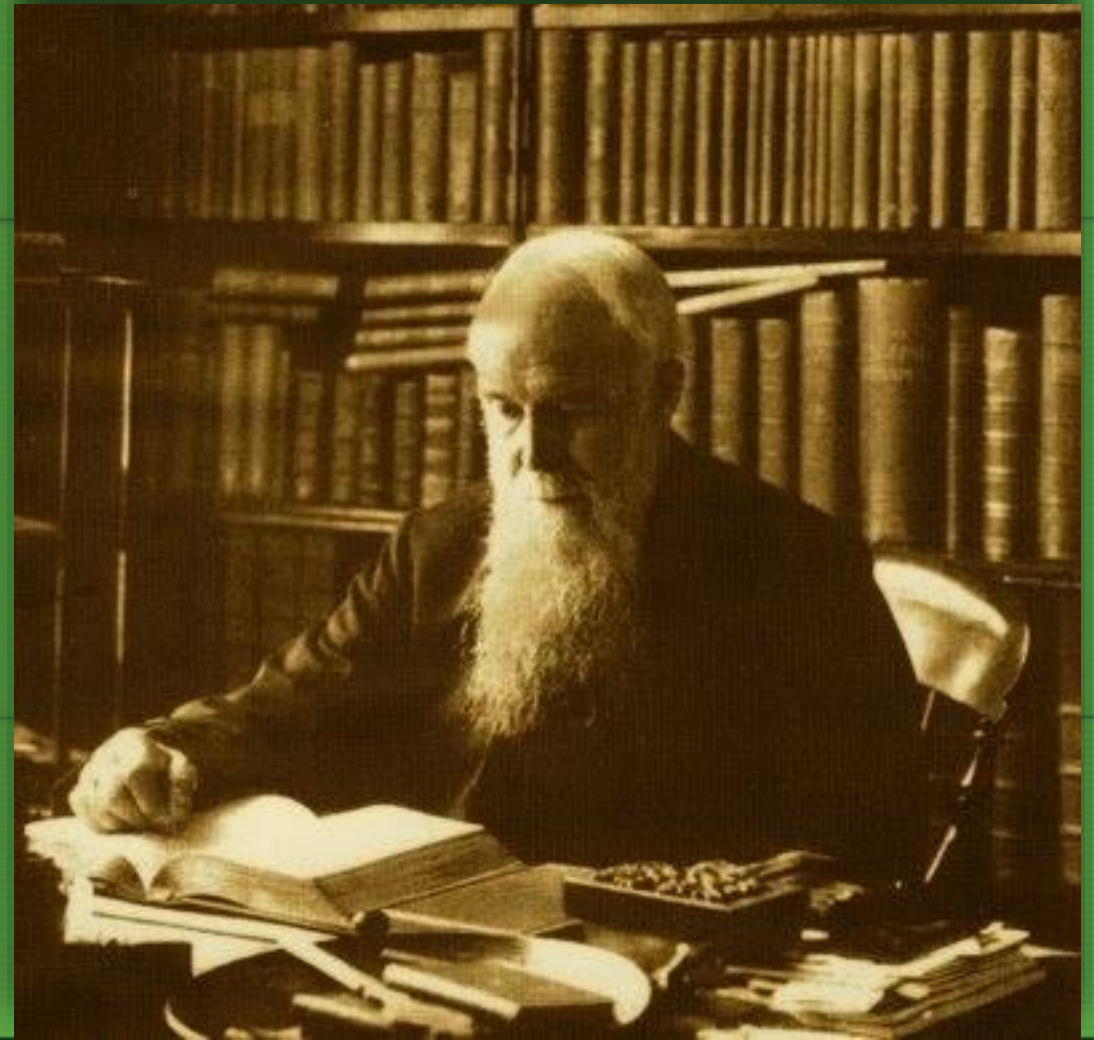
“The Spirit must sanctify our carnal natures, and make them love spiritual things. The Spirit must wean our affections from things below, and teach us to set them on things above.



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The Spirit must bend our stubborn wills, and teach them to be submissive to the will of God. The Spirit must write again the law of God on our inward man, and put his fear within us.

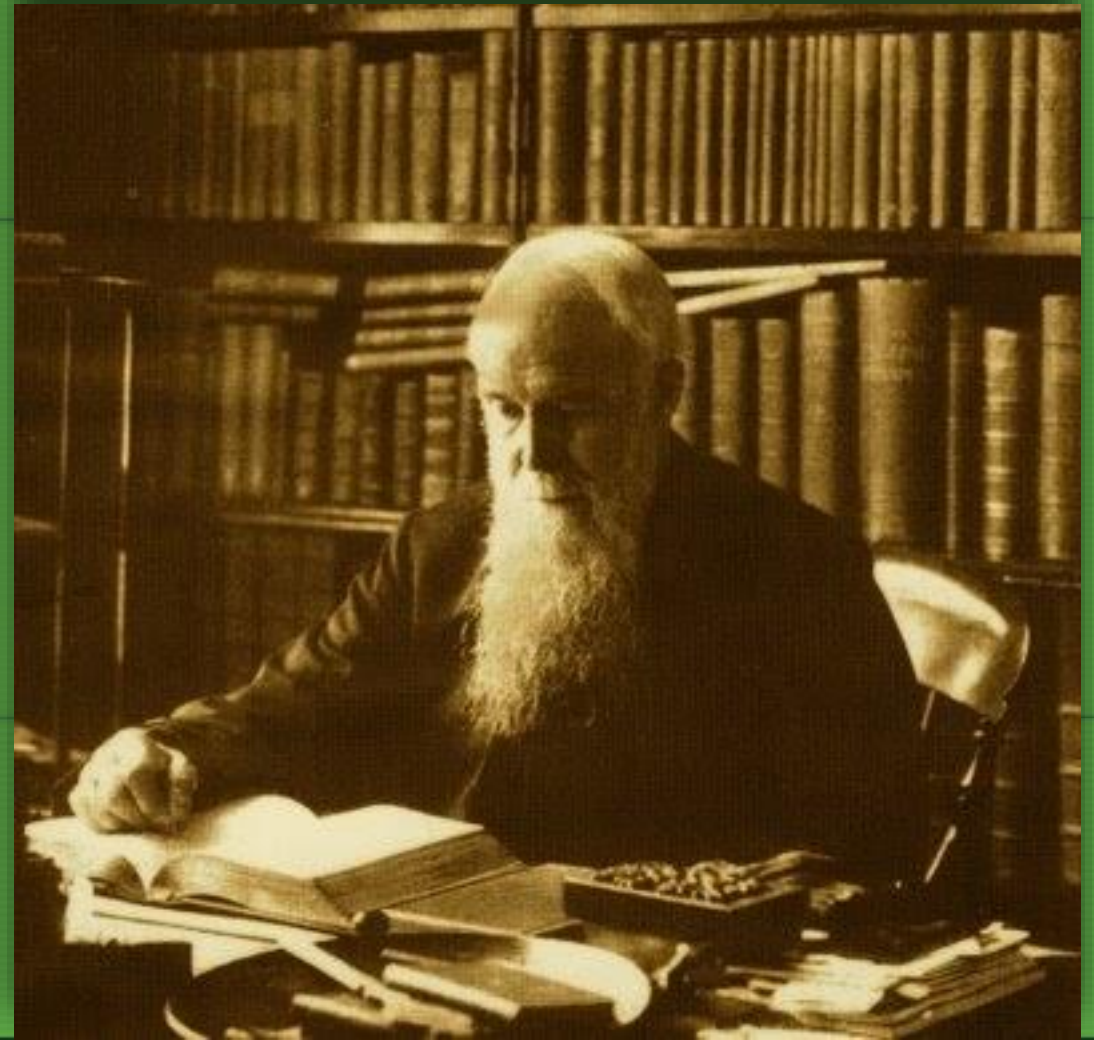


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The Spirit must transform us by the daily renewing of our minds, and implant in us the image of Him whose servants we profess to be.

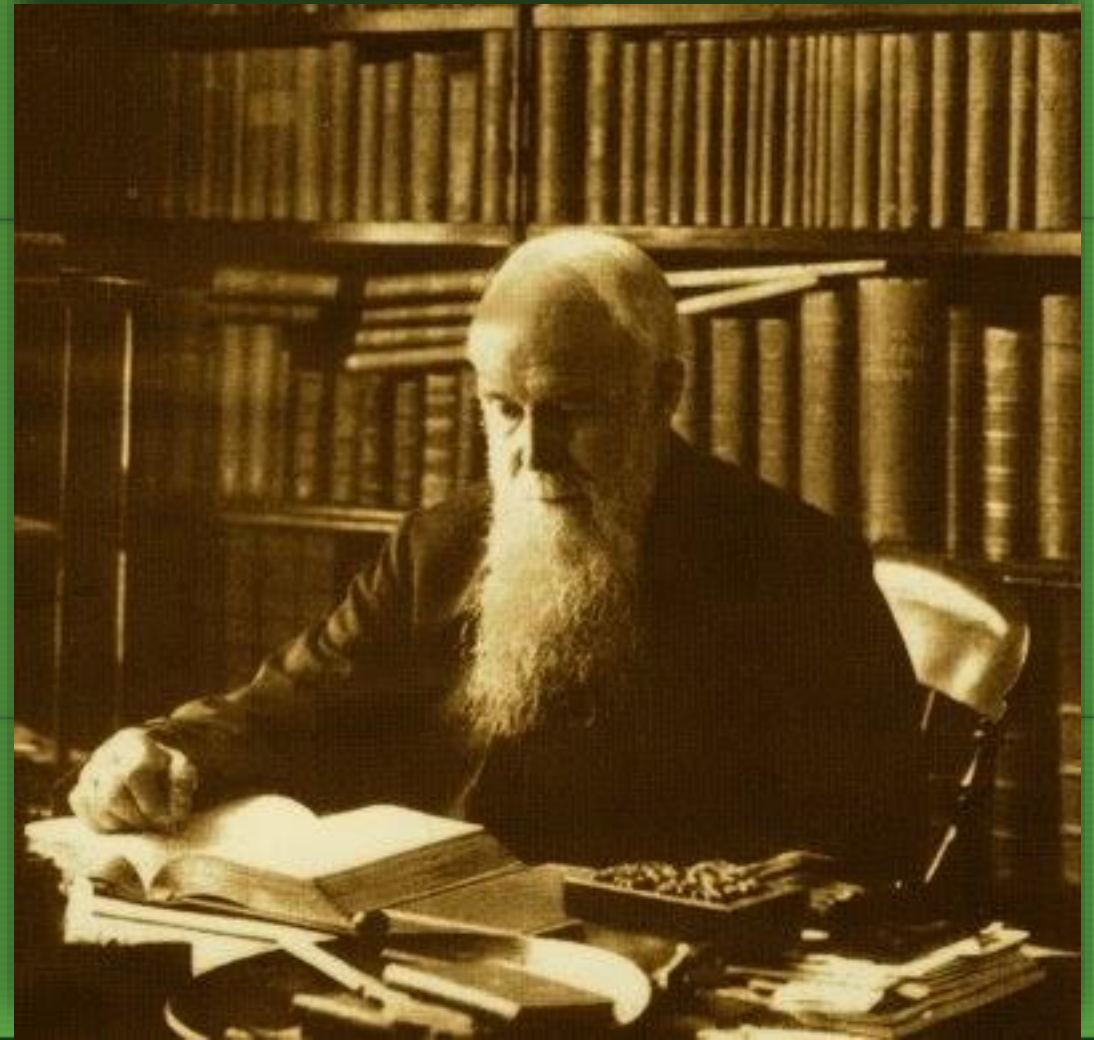
Here lies the other great part of our need of the Holy Ghost's work.



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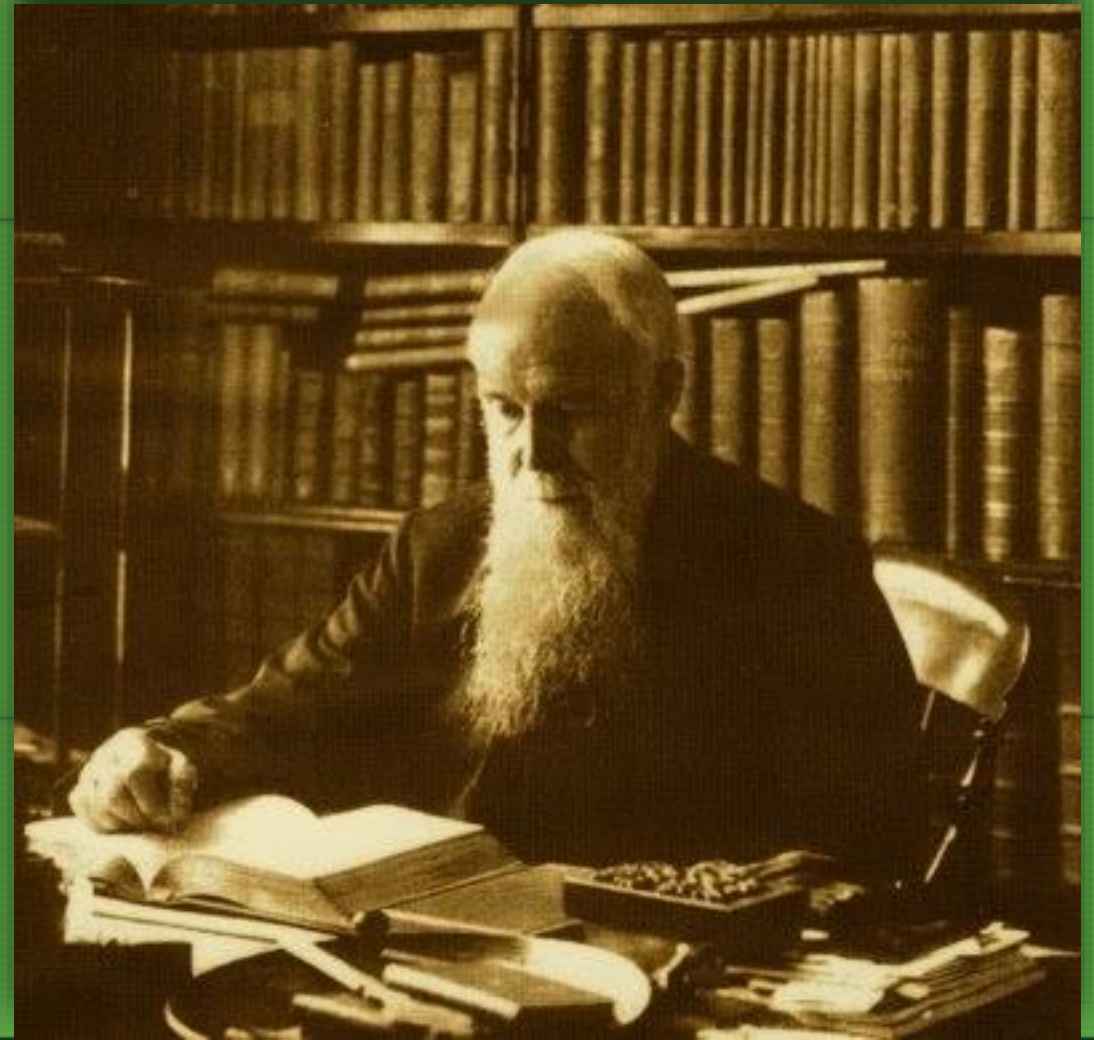
We need sanctification no less than justification.
‘Without holiness no man shall see the Lord’ (Heb. 12:14) ...The love of sin must be taken from us, as well as the guilt of sin removed;



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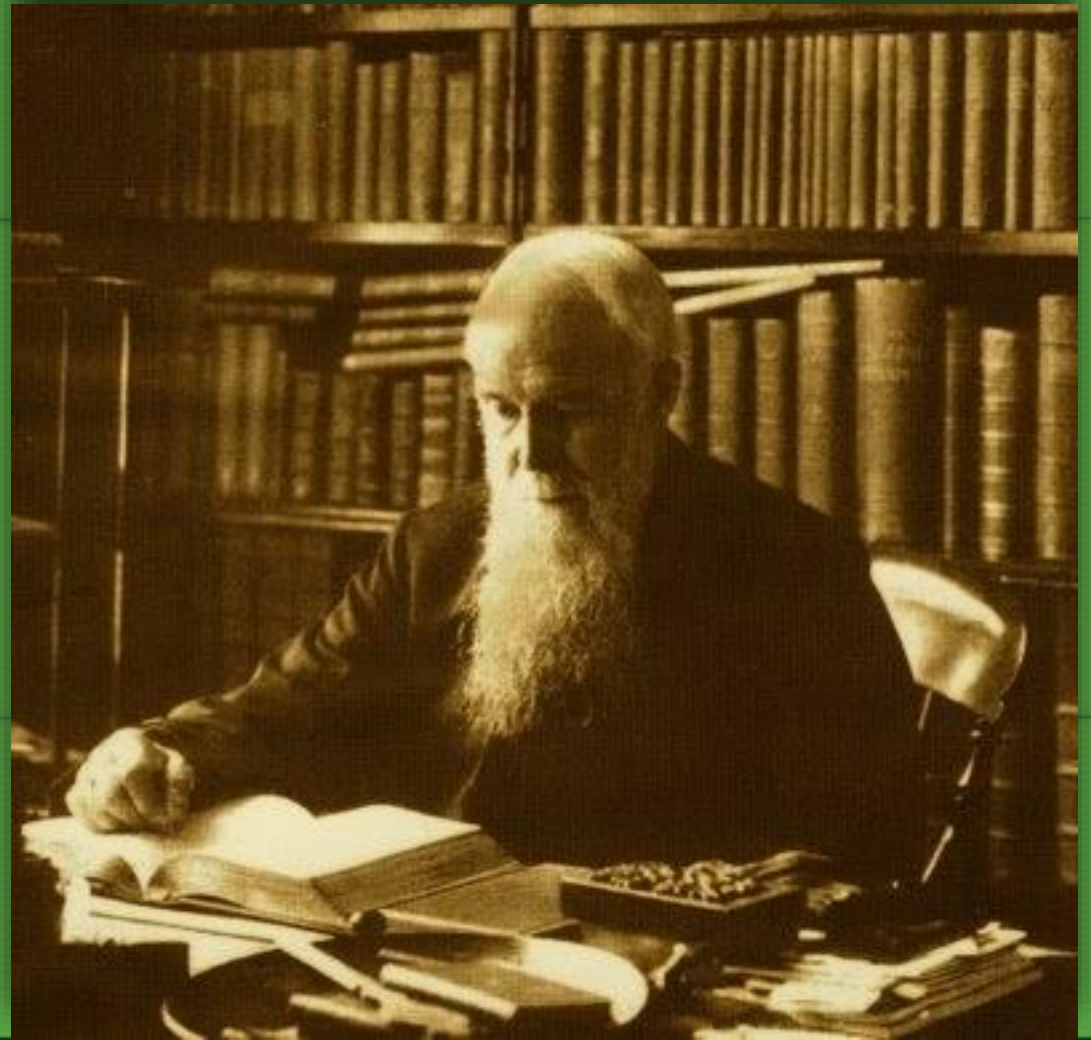
the desire of pleasing God must be implanted in us, as well as the fear of God's judgment taken away; a love to holiness must be engrafted; as well as a dread of punishment removed.



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Heaven itself would be no heaven to us if we entered it without a new heart.”



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1. We are free

because we have been justified,

releasing us from sin's penalty

(vs. 2)

*So if the Son sets you free,
you will be free indeed.*

John 8:36

⁵ Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ ⁸The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

John 3:5-8

*For the one who sows to his own flesh
will from the flesh reap corruption,
but the one who sows to the Spirit
will from the Spirit reap eternal life.*

Galatians 6:8

*The earth was without form and void,
and darkness was over the face of the deep.*

*And the Spirit of God was hovering
over the face of the waters.*

Genesis 1:2

“Where Adam’s eating of the forbidden fruit was death, the eating of the bread of Christ’s flesh is life. Where Adam’s sin brought darkness into our hearts and therefore into the world, Jesus brings the light.



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Where Adam's disobedience earned the curse of exile from the garden, its way blocked forever to reentry, Jesus is the door to the eternal garden of new creation.



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Where Adam's disobedience brought into the world exploitation and murder, the un-keeping of our brothers, Jesus is the good shepherd who lays his life down for the sheep.



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Where Adam's
disobedience brought
corruption and death into
the world, Jesus is the
resurrection and the life.



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And where Adam's fall
brought a curse to the
earth, Jesus is the
flourishing vine.”



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1. We are *free* because we have been *justified*, releasing us from *sin's* *penalty* (vs. 2)

2. We are free so we can be sanctified, releasing us from sin's power (vs. 3-4)

¹⁰ *For all who rely on works of the law are under a curse; for it is written, “Cursed be everyone who does not abide by all things written in the Book of the Law, and do them.”*

Galatians 3:10-14

¹¹ *Now it is evident that no one is justified before*

God by the law, for

“The righteous shall live by faith.”

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¹² *But the law is not of faith, rather
“The one who does them shall live by them.”*

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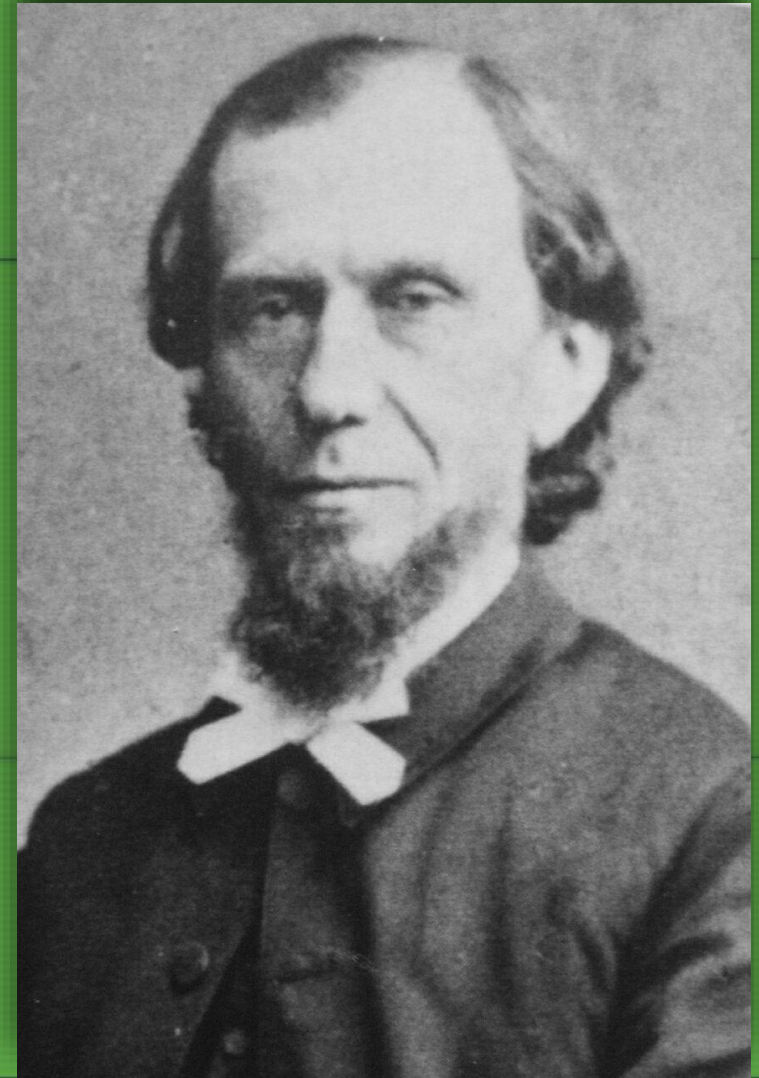
¹³ *Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree”—
¹⁴ so that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promised Spirit through faith.*

Galatians 3:10-14

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.

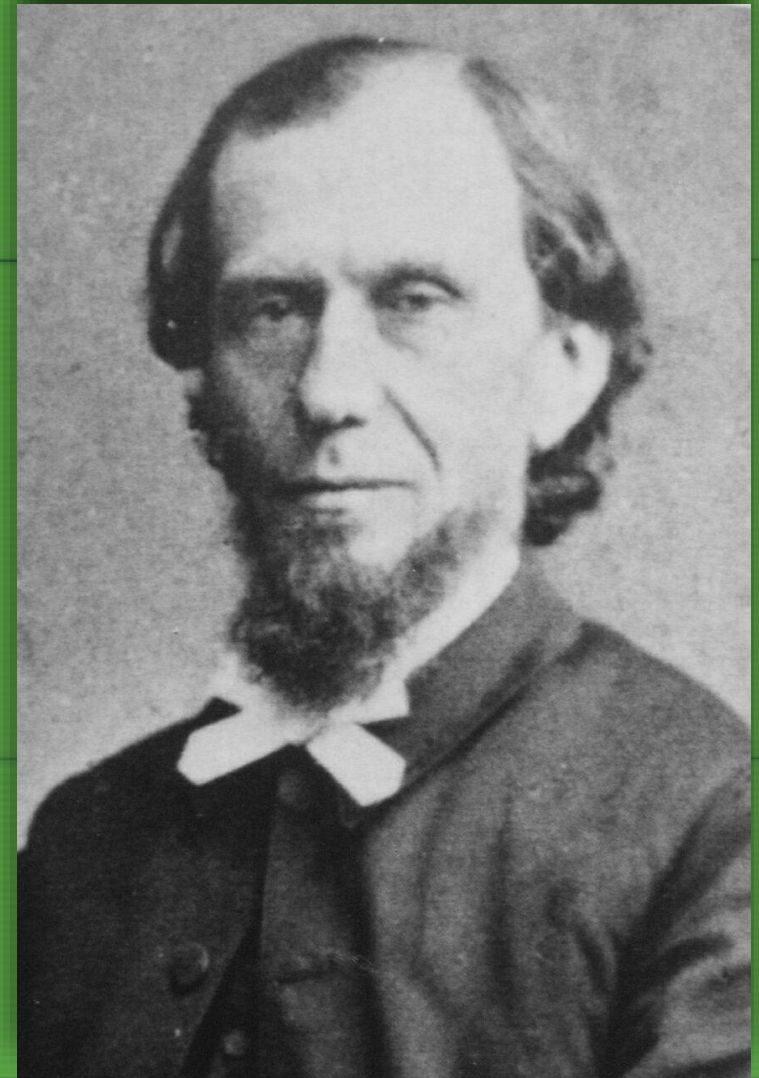
Hebrews 4:15

“In that same nature which in all others was dominated and directed by sin, God condemned sin and overthrew its power. Jesus not only blotted out sin’s guilt and brought us nigh to God,



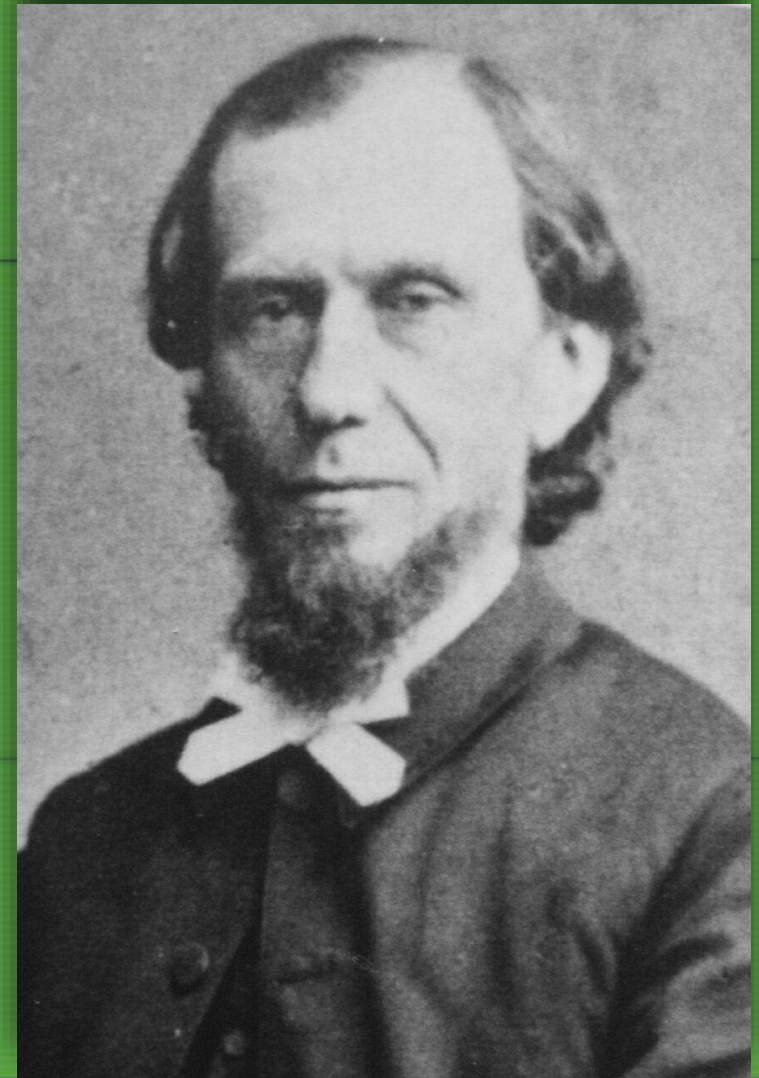
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He also vanquished sin as power and set us free from its enslaving dominion. And this could not have been done except in the 'flesh'.



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The battle was joined, and the triumph secured in the same flesh which in us is the seat and agent of sin.”



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

Ephesians 2:8-10

We must walk to please God.

(1 Thess 4:1)

WALKING WITH GOD

We must walk uprightly before unbelievers.

(1 Thess 4:12)

WALKING WITH GOD

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The Christian will not face ultimate judgment because he has the righteousness of Christ.

1. Those who are secure but not sure

2. Those who are sure but not secure

3. Those who are secure and sure

There Are Three Groups of People