

“God’s Will”

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1 Thessalonians 4:3a

Sanctification (v3)

A. Definition

[hagiasmos] - sanctification - **set apart to God**

B. The process

1. By the **Gospel** (Hebrews 10:10)
2. By the **Holy Spirit** (John 14:26)
3. By God’s **Word** (Psalm 119:9)
4. By **continuing** (2 Corinthians 3:18, Romans 12:2)

C. What it is not

1. **Happiness** (James 1:2-4)
2. **Satisfaction** with the world (Mark 4:19)
3. **Answers** to life’s big questions (2 Timothy 1:7)

D. What it is

1. **Holiness** - set apart (John 17:16, 2 Thessalonians 2:13)
2. Pleasing to **God** (v 1b)
3. **Pursuable** (v 1b, Hebrews 12:14)

E. What should we do?

1. **Believe** the gospel (1 Corinthians 6:9-11)
2. Follow the **direction** of God’s Word (2 Timothy 3:16, Psalm 119:9)
3. **Live** a godly life (v 1b, Romans 6:19, 1 Corinthians 2:16)
4. Be in the **world** but not of it (John 17:15)

God’s will for your life is your sanctification.

“If you will do what the Word of God says, you will be making the right choices.”

Next week: Missions update

