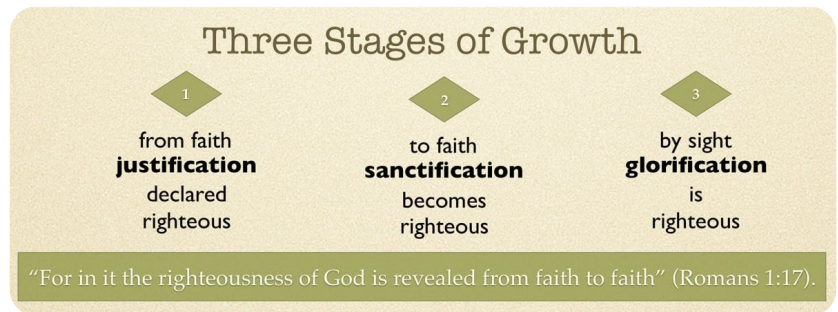


How are Justification, Sanctification, and Glorification Related?



- * Every Christian recognizes that there are important _____ in the Christian life.
- * The terms Christians use to describe these important moments are _____, _____, and _____. These three words are used to describe the Christian journey from new birth to resurrection.
- * First, we should remember what these words mean. Here are some definitions:
 - * Justification is “an act of God whereby He _____ a sinner to be righteous because of that sinner’s faith in Christ.” We are justified, or declared righteous, at the moment of our salvation.
 - * Sanctification is “the process by which Christians are set _____ for God from the rest of the world, or the process by which Christians are made holy.” Progressive, or experiential, sanctification, as it is sometimes called, is the effect of obedience to the Word of God in one’s life. It is the same as growing in the Lord (2 Peter 3:18) or spiritual maturity.
 - * Glorification is “God’s final removal of _____ from the life of the saints so that they stand faultless before Him in glory in eternity” (Romans 8:18; 2 Corinthians 4:17). At Christ’s coming, the glory of God (Romans 5:2)—His honor, praise, majesty, and holiness—will be realized in us; we will have direct and unhindered access to God’s presence, and we will enjoy holy communion with Him throughout eternity.
- * As mentioned above, these three words describe the full process of _____. As Christians, we were justified when we _____ Christ and believed (Rom. 10:9), we are sanctified as we grow in _____ through the work of the Spirit (Eph. 4:11–32; Gal. 5:16–24), and we will someday be glorified when we are _____ into eternal life (Col. 3:4).
- * Justification is a _____-_____ event, sanctification is a _____, and glorification is a _____ event.
- * If you are a Christian, you are guaranteed all three steps (Rom. 8:29–30). You are forever justified, you are being sanctified, and you will for sure be glorified (1 Cor. 6:11). All

three of these amazing things are from God's grace, not because of anything you have done or will do to earn them (Eph. 2:8–9). You cannot _____ your justification, you cannot _____ your sanctification, and you cannot _____ your glorification.

- * God makes all these things happen out of His love for you, by His _____ alone (Rom. 3:24; 2 Cor. 9:8; Phil. 2:13; Titus 2:11).
- * If someone is not a Christian, then they may be trying to have these things on their _____ merit. They may be trying to feel righteous before God, be good in their life, and leave a lasting legacy after they die. But we cannot do it on our own (Rom. 3:10–20)!
- * God does not want us to “_____,” but to come to Him in faith. Jesus said, “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest” (Matt. 11:28). Have you had your sins forgiven? Have you accepted God's gracious gift of eternal life? If not, why not start today?
- * The way of salvation is simple, and it is _____ through Jesus Christ (Rom. 10:9–13).