



1. Introduction

a. What is the process?

- salvation: God redeems Christian
 - * you must be born again
- sanctification: Christian living today in ~~the~~ mortal body on earth
 - * becoming more like Christ
- glorification: resurrected body living with Jesus forever

b. How God works today in Christian

- 2 Cor 3:18 every Christians are changed from glory to glory in Jesus image
 - * as in looking in a glass
 - 1 Cor 13:12 For now we see thru a glass darkly
 - 2 Pet 3:18 But grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord
- ### c. Three obstacles: fear, furnaces, frustrations

2. Heavenly Father Dissolves Fear

a. Bondage of anxiety

- ### b. 2 Tim 1:7 God has given us the Spirit of power, love, & sound mind
- boldness of faith
 - not spirit of fear

c. Beauty of adoption

- received Spirit of adoption
- Christian cries out to their heavenly Father
 - * "Abba", "Daddy"

3. Fashioning Demands Furnaces

a. Difficulties, furnaces of life

- everything refined in burning of fires to increase purities
- everything must be tempered by heat

b. Unique relationship

- if indeed we suffer with Christ
- 1 Pet 4:12 the fiery trial which is to try you

c. Ungurpassed result

- that we may glorified together (with Christ)
- 1 Pet 4:14 reproached for the name of Christ?
- * happy for the spirit of glory of God rests on you

d. Sanctification is your journey

4. Future Decimates Frustrations

a. Incessant grind

- no microwave christianity
- instantaneous change? No
- earnest expectation of creation eagerly waits
- * whole creation groans & labors
- * we ourselves groan within ourselves

b. Instantaneous glorification

- revealing the children of God
- the glorious liberty of God's children
- eagerly waiting for the adoption
- * which adoption? redemption of our body
- we are saved in hope

c. Likewise the Spirit also helps

- assists our weaknesses
- Spirit Himself makes ~~intersect~~ intercession
- * Spirit for us with groanings