

Review:

1. The Context of sanctification: enjoying the benefits of justification, *Romans 5:1-5*
2. The Certainty of sanctification, *Romans 6:14; I John 3:9; 5:4, 18*
3. The Concern of sanctification (the elimination of all sin), *Romans 6:20; 7:14-25; I John 1:8*
4. The Cause of sanctification, it is God's work, *Job 14:4; II Thessalonians 2:13; Philippians 2:13*

I. Two Errors We Must Avoid...

A. The effort of perfectionism...

1. Sometimes it is formulated by doctrine and creed...
2. Often it is held conceptually and can be found virtually in every church...
3. Perfectionism is neither realistic nor Biblical...
 - a. Consider the Old Testament saints... *Daniel 7:3ff; Hebrews 11*
 - b. Biblical testimony... *I Kings 8:46; Proverbs 20:9; Ecclesiastes 7:20; James 3:2; I John 1:8*
4. There are two problems perfectionist face...
 - a.
 - b.

B. The Error of Antinomianism...

1. It simply means to be against the Law... (we are specifically referring to the moral Law, the 10 Commandments)
"It is one of the greatest curses conceivable..." Martin Lloyd Jones...
2. The Law has three uses...
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
3. The antinomian denies the 3rd use of the Law...
4. The major problem...
5. A brief defense of the binding nature of the Law... Samuel Bolton...
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
 - d.

e.

Observations:

1. The antinomian denies the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit...
2. It produces careless living...

II. A Clear Biblical View of the Sanctified Life is Necessary...

A. The old man of sin is destroyed... Romans 6: 6

B. In sanctification there is an accompanying positive work...making alive the “new man...” Romans 6:10, 12-14

Observation:

C. There is the Reality that we still have a Sinful Flesh... I Peter 2:11; Galatians 5:17

Next Time: Progressive Sanctification...