

PBC Growing in Christ

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Class Norms

A large, dark wooden cross stands in a field of dry grass under a sunset sky. The cross is the central focus, with its vertical post and horizontal arms clearly visible. The sky is a mix of blue and orange, with some clouds. The foreground is a field of dry, brownish grass.

- Place your microphone on mute.
- Use the chat room. Located in the upper right of the screen.
- Interact in the class just raise your hand. The instructor will take you off mute.
- Technology may not always work....please be patient.
- God is always in the midst
- Enjoy the class.

Growing in Christ

- Every day is an opportunity to grow in the word.
- Growing in Christ will tackle real life issues, while studying the bible for its answers.
- Examine challenges believers and non-believers face every day.
- Growing in Christ bible study will focus on how Christians face challenges and how the bible addresses these issues.



Growing in Christ

To equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up. Until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. Ephesians 4:12-13 (NIV)





GROWING IN CHRIST IN ACTION

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1. Draw a “map” that reflects how you wandered from God, the point where He found you, and what the journey has looked like since then.
2. Seek God. Perhaps you need to “come home” to God. Confess to God any destructive behaviors or thoughts and come to Christ.
3. Forgive. When was the last time you ran to forgive someone with reckless abandon? Maybe it’s time to forgive even if it seems strange and shocking to everyone else around. Remember to forgive others as God forgives.



Sanctified

1 Cor. 6:9-20

Growing up, what children's book was your favorite?



Sanctified

1 Corinthians 6:9-11

9Or do you not know that wrongdoers will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: Neither the sexually immoral nor idolaters nor adulterers nor men who have sex with men^{6:9} The words *men who have sex with men* translate two Greek words that refer to the passive and active participants in homosexual acts. 10nor thieves nor the greedy nor drunkards nor slanderers nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. 11And that is what some of you were. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

Sanctified

1 Corinthians 6:9-11

Washed. We are washed clean of our sin through faith in Christ.

“The blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin” (1 John 1:7).

Sanctified. We are set apart by God and declared holy. “And by that will, we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all” (Heb. 10:10).

- so that in him we might become the righteousness of God” (2 Cor. 5:21).
- Justified. We are considered righteous in the sight of God. The righteousness of Christ is attributed to us. “God made him who had no sin to be sin for us,



Sanctified

1 Corinthians 6:9-11

1. How does the passage reflect your experience with Christ?
2. How would you describe your life before you encountered Christ?

Scripture

1 Corinthians 6:12-17

12 “I have the right to do anything,” you say—but not everything is beneficial. “I have the right to do anything”—but I will not be mastered by anything. 13 You say, “Food for the stomach and the stomach for food, and God will destroy them both.” The body, however, is not meant for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. 14 By his power God raised the Lord from the dead, and he will raise us also. 15 Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ himself? Shall I then take the members of Christ and unite them with a prostitute? Never! 16 Do you not know that he who unites himself with a prostitute is one with her in body? For it is said, “The two will become one flesh.” 6:16 Gen. 2:24 17 But whoever is united with the Lord is one with him in spirit. 6:17 *Or in the Spirit*



Scripture

1 Corinthians 6:12-17

1. What are some benefits and responsibilities of union with Christ?
2. *Since all things are permissible, how do we evaluate what is beneficial?*

Sanctified

1 Corinthians 6:12-17

Don't I have the right to do anything?

- Believers are one with Christ, and marriage is a picture of the oneness we share with Christ as His church (Eph. 5:22-32). This truth underscores just how set apart we are from the world. We are not one with the world; we are one with Christ. Therefore, since we are one with Christ and His Holy Spirit lives within us, our actions should reflect that.
- Consequently, the actions of our body affect our whole being.

Scripture

1 Corinthians 6:18-20

18Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a person commits are outside the body, but whoever sins sexually, sins against their own body. 19Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; 20you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

Scripture Discussion



- ***What's your initial reaction to the truths found in verse 19? What does it mean to call our bodies the temple of the Holy Spirit?"***
- **How should we understand Paul's challenge in verse 20?**



Discussion

1 Corinthians 6:18-20

What are specific ways Christians can live set apart for the glory of God in today's culture?

final thoughts about sanctified

We were never designed to remain “caterpillars.” God set us apart for something far greater. As Christ transforms us, we must let Him continue the sanctification process in us.





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- What are some ways we can glorify God with the different parts of our temple (body)?

Resources

1 John 1:7

Heb. 10:10

2 Cor. 5:21

[Bible.com](https://www.bible.com)



Next Week: June 7, 2020

SALVATION

Romans 3:20-28

**When have you been happy for
someone to step in and fix
something you couldn't?**





God Bless You!

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