
The Application of Redemption

- ❖ Effectual Calling
- ❖ Regeneration
- ❖ Conversion
 - ❖ Repentance
 - ❖ Faith
- ❖ Justification
- ❖ Adoption

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Adoption

- ❖ Adoption is a legal act of God the Father in which he adopts a regenerated and justified believer into his family, thus transferring them out of the family of the devil and granting them all the privileges and rights of their new status as God's children.
- ❖ Last week we saw at least 8 benefits that flow to us from adoption

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Adoption

- ❖ (1) The Presence of the Holy Spirit.
- ❖ (2) Intimacy with God.
- ❖ (3) Relationships with Other Believers.
- ❖ (4) Answered Prayer.
- ❖ (5) Eternal Inheritance.
- ❖ (6) Loving Discipline.
- ❖ (7) Assurance of Salvation.
- ❖ (8) Eternal Security.

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- ❖ These benefits bring us into the next aspect of the *ordo salutis* — sanctification.
- ❖ Because all the elements in the *ordo salutis* are the work of one God it should not surprise us that these things are all connected one with another and are therefore inseparable.
- ❖ We can distinguish these things but we can never separate them.

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- ❖ God is a God of order and we see that so clearly in the order in which he carries out the work of redemption.
- ❖ One element builds upon another in an unceasing chain that began in eternity.
- ❖ Those who were chosen by the Father, were given to Christ, Christ made atonement for them, and the Holy Spirit effectually applies what Christ accomplished to them.

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Eph 1:4 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love[.]

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- ❖ The end goal of election is more than justification and adoption.
- ❖ We needed more than merely (!) justification and adoption (as important as those blessings are).
- ❖ Why?

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- ❖ Why would we need more than a legal declaration that we are righteous in God's eyes?
- ❖ Why would we need more than simply being adopted into God's family?
 - ❖ (1) The nature of God
 - ❖ (2) The blessings of heaven

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Hab 1:13 *Your* eyes are too pure to approve evil,
And You can not look on wickedness *with favor*.
Why do You look with favor
On those who deal treacherously?
Why are You silent when the wicked swallow up
Those more righteous than they?

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- ❖ God is too pure to have unhindered fellowship with any who remain in sin.
- ❖ Although we are regenerated and God views us as through the lens of Christ's righteousness we have not been made actually righteous as of yet.
- ❖ Redemption would be incomplete if it stopped at justification and adoption.

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- ❖ What would heaven be like if we were justified but not sanctified?
- ❖ How could God be fully glorified in our salvation if the love of sin remained in us to any degree?
- ❖ How could we be fully satisfied if salvation did not remove the idols of our hearts and set our affections fully and finally on Christ and God?

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Rev 21:7 “He who overcomes will inherit these things, and I will be his God and he will be My son. 8 “But for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part *will be* in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.”

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Rev 21:23 And the city has no need of the sun or of the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God has illumined it, and its lamp *is* the Lamb. **24** The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. . . . **27** and nothing unclean, and no one who practices abomination and lying, shall ever come into it, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

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Rev 22:14 Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter by the gates into the city. **15** Outside are the dogs and the sorcerers and the immoral persons and the murderers and the idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices lying.

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2 Pet 3:10 But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up.

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2 Pet 3:11 Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness, **12** looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be destroyed by burning, and the elements will melt with intense heat! **13** But according to His promise we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells.

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2 Pet 3:14 Therefore, beloved, since you look for these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, spotless and blameless, **15** and regard the patience of our Lord *as* salvation . . .

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- ❖ Heaven is where righteousness dwells and for it to truly be for our good and for God's glory, all sin must be removed.
- ❖ Thus far in the *ordo salutis* sinful man has a new principle within (regeneration) and is regarded by God as righteous (justification) but we have not yet had sin entirely eradicated.
- ❖ This is where sanctification come in.

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“To understand the benefit of sanctification correctly, we must proceed from the idea that Christ is our holiness in the same sense in which he is our righteousness. He is a complete and all-sufficient Savior. He does not accomplish his work halfway but saves us really and completely. He does not rest until, after pronouncing his acquittal in our conscience, he has also imparted full holiness and glory to us.”

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics*, 4:248.

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Definition of Sanctification

“Sanctification is a progressive work of God and man that makes us more and more free from sin and like Christ in our actual lives.”

Wayne Grudem, *Bible Doctrine*, 326.

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“It is the concern of sanctification that sin be more and more mortified and holiness ingenerated and cultivated.”

John Murray, *Redemption Accomplished and Applied*, 155.

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“Sanctification may be defined as that gracious and continuous operation of the Holy Spirit, by which He delivers that justified sinner from the pollution of sin, renews his whole nature in the image of God, and enables him to perform good works.”

Louis Berkof, *Systematic Theology*, 532.

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“In sanctification, God, working especially by the Holy Spirit, separates the believer unto himself (1 Cor 1:2) and makes him increasingly holy, progressively transforming him into the image of Christ (Rom 8:29; 2 Cor 3:18) by subduing the power of sin in his life and enabling him to bear the fruit of obedience in his life.”

John MacArthur and Richard Mayhue, *Biblical Doctrine*, 632.

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- ❖ Sanctification involves removing sin on the negative side and making us holy, Christ-like, and righteous on the positive side.
- ❖ Sanctification begins at regeneration, continues throughout this life, and culminates when we see Christ face-to-face.
- ❖ There are past, present, and future aspects to sanctification.

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- ❖ Past tense: Initial, Positional, or Definitive Sanctification.
- ❖ Present tense: Progressive Sanctification
- ❖ Future tense: Final, or Perfective Sanctification.
 - ❖ Could we call it glorification?

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Positional Sanctification

1 Cor 6:9 Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived; neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, **10** nor thieves, nor *the* covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers, will inherit the kingdom of God.

11 Such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God.

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Acts 20:32 And now I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build *you* up and to give *you* the inheritance among all those who are sanctified.

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Acts 26:16 'But get up and stand on your feet; for this purpose I have appeared to you, to appoint you a minister and a witness not only to the things which you have seen, but also to the things in which I will appear to you; **17** rescuing you from the *Jewish* people and from the Gentiles, to whom I am sending you, **18** to open their eyes so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the dominion of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who have been sanctified by faith in Me.'

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“Though sanctification is primarily understood to be a process in which the believer is conformed into the image of Christ, that process has a definite beginning at regeneration. The present-tense aspect may be called either initial, positional, or definitive sanctification.”

John MacArthur and Richard Mayhue, *Biblical Doctrine*, 632.

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- ❖ It is helpful to think of regeneration as the beginning of sanctification.
- ❖ There is a definite change in us, we are 'set apart' to God, we are born again.
- ❖ What begins in regeneration grows in sanctification until it is perfected at glorification.

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1 Cor 1:2 To the church of God which is at Corinth, to those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, saints by calling, with all who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, their *Lord* and ours:

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- ❖ Paul considers the Corinthians ‘those who have been sanctified.’ (ἡγιασμένοις: perfect middle / passive participle)
- ❖ However, they had not reached some level of being fully sanctified.
- ❖ They were fleshly (1 Cor 3:1), had immorality in their midst (1 Cor 5:1), were suing one another (1 Cor 6:1–7), were selfish at the Lord’s table (1 Cor 11); and abusing the gifts of the Holy Spirit (1 Cor 12–14).

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“If to be sanctified meant to have reached a state of exalted practical holiness, that description could hardly be made of them! And yet Paul spoke of their definitive sanctification.”

John MacArthur and Richard Mayhue, *Biblical Doctrine*, 633.

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1 Cor 6:11 Such were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God.

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- ❖ Part of this positional sanctification is the idea that we have been made saints. We are literally the ‘holy ones’.
- ❖ Pss 16:3; 34:9; Dan 7:18–27; Matt 27:52; Acts 9:13, 32, 41; Rom 1:7; 8:27; 1 Cor 1:2; 2 Cor 1:1; Eph 1:1; 6:18; Phil 1:1; Col 1:2; Jude 3; Rev 19:8.

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“So far from identifying a spiritually elite people on the basis of their personal merits, as the Roman Catholic Church teaches, what makes a believer a saint is not his practical righteousness but his positional righteousness. All believers are saints because all believers have been set apart by a holy God and have been united to the holy Lord Jesus. This is precisely the concept of definitive sanctification.”

John MacArthur and Richard Mayhue, *Biblical Doctrine*, 633.

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- ❖ What we need to hold in balance as we dig deeper into sanctification is . . .
- ❖ First, we must know, understand, and believe all the wonderful things God has already done for us in union with Christ (new heart, new creation, washed, sanctified, etc.
- ❖ Second, we must know understand, and believe that we are not yet what we will be, we are not yet perfectly holy. We can never lower the bar of utter Christ-likeness.

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“If we take the concept of entire sanctification seriously we are shut up to the conclusion that it will not be realized until the body of our humiliation will be transformed into the likeness of the body of Christ’s glory, when the corruptible will put on incorruption and the mortal will put on immortality (Phil 3:21; 1 Cor 15:54).”

John Murray, *Redemption Accomplished and Applied*, 152.

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- ❖ Thus we are *being* sanctified.
- ❖ What God has already done for us in Christ is the basis upon which we grow into the image of Christ.

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- ❖ It is a progressive work of God (Grudem).
- ❖ It is a continuous operation of the Holy Spirit (Berkof).
- ❖ The Holy Spirit makes [us] increasingly holy, progressively transforming [us] into the image of Christ (MacArthur and Mayhue).

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Heb 10:14 For by one offering He has perfected for all time those who are sanctified [or, being sanctified].

Greek: τοὺς ἁγιαζομένους.

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Heb 12:14 Pursue peace with all men, and the sanctification without which no one will see the Lord.

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John 17:16 They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. **17** Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth.

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- ❖ The fact that we are not entirely sanctified in this life, I think, will be obvious to us.
- ❖ Some teach the doctrine of perfectionism—that a believer can attain to a state of sinless perfection in this life.
- ❖ Perfectionism is an error for a number of reasons.

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- ❖ Perfectionism breaks up the *ordo salutis* by teaching that one can be justified without being sanctified.
- ❖ It teaches that sanctification (perfection) is a secondary blessing of the Holy Spirit that comes subsequent to conversion.
- ❖ In order to maintain the doctrine one must re-define sin to something less than Scripture reveals it to be.

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- ❖ For today, all we need to do to refute the idea of Christian Perfection is point out two things.
 - ❖ (1) There is no secondary blessing of the Holy Spirit subsequent to conversion. The Holy Spirit baptized every believer into Christ (1 Cor 12:13).
 - ❖ (2) The New Testament everywhere assumes that believers are not yet perfect—hence all the commands to obedience.

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“Also Scripture itself is aware of this. Despite its splendor-filled description of the state of believers, it nevertheless views them as sinners and does not conceal their transgressions and their confessions of sins.”

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics*, 4:261.

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“Also Paul knows that when he wants to do what is good, evil lies close at hand (Rom 7:21). He is increasingly conscious, certainly, of the great transformation that has occurred in his life.”

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics*, 4:261.

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“With Christ he has been crucified to the world, and now it is no longer he that lives but Christ who lives in him. He is free from the law, righteous before God, assured of his sonship, glories in the grace by which he can do all things, offers himself as a example, praises the quality of his apostolic labor, and is conscious of his faithful conduct in office (see, e.g. Rom 15:17; 1 Cor 4:3; 9:15; 15:30–31; 2 Cor 1:12; 6:3; 11:10; Phil 2:16; 1 Thess 2:10, 19).”

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics*, 4:261.

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1 Cor 4:3 But to me it is a very small thing that I may be examined by you, or by *any* human court; in fact, I do not even examine myself. **4** For I am conscious of nothing against myself, yet I am not by this acquitted; but the one who examines me is the Lord.

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1 Cor 15:30 Why are we also in danger every hour? **31** I affirm, brethren, by the boasting in you which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily.

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2 Cor 1:12 For our proud confidence is this: the testimony of our conscience, that in holiness and godly sincerity, not in fleshly wisdom but in the grace of God, we have conducted ourselves in the world, and especially toward you.

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1 Thess 2:10 You are witnesses, and *so is* God, how devoutly and uprightly and blamelessly we behaved toward you believers;

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“Still, he confesses that he lives in the flesh (Gal 2:20), that what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit (Gal 5:17), that nothing good dwells in his flesh (Rom 7:18), and that he has not attained perfection (Phil 3:12).”

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics*, 4:261.

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Gal 2:20 “I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me.

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Gal 5:17 For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please.

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Rom 7:18 For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh; for the willing is present in me, but the doing of the good *is* not.

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Phil 3:12 Not that I have already obtained *it* or have already become perfect, but I press on so that I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus. **13** Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of *it* yet; but one thing *I do*: forgetting what *lies* behind and reaching forward to what *lies* ahead, **14** I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. **15** Let us therefore, as many as are perfect, have this attitude; and if in anything you have a different attitude, God will reveal that also to you;

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“This deliverance from the power of sin secured by union with Christ and from the defilement of sin secured by regeneration does not eliminate all sin from the heart and life of the believer.

There is still indwelling sin (cf. Rom 6:20; 7:14–25; 1 John 1:8; 2:1). The believer is not yet so conformed to the image of Christ that he is holy, harmless, undefiled, and separate from sinners. Sanctification is concerned precisely with this fact and it has as its aim the elimination of all sin and complete conformation to the image of God’s own Son, to be holy as the Lord is holy.”

John Murray, *Redemption Accomplished and Applied*, 152.

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“Added to this consciousness of sin in the lives of the saints of the Old as well as the New Testament is that the Scripture everywhere proceeds from the assumption that sin remains a reality in believers to the very end of their lives. They are in permanent need of the prayer for forgiveness (Matt 6:12–13) and confession of sins (1 John 1:9). All the admonitions and warnings in Scripture presuppose that believers only have a small beginning of perfect obedience. They all make many mistakes every day (James 3:2). If they say they have no sin, they deceive themselves (1 John 1:8).”

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics*, 4:262.

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“They are accordingly, unceasingly admonished in all seriousness to live a holy life. The admonitions that occur throughout Scripture and especially in the letters of the apostles . . . are the strongest proof that they at no time hold to a theory of believers’ sinlessness but always presuppose their deficiency and shortcomings. As long as they live in this life, they must fight against Satan, the world, and their own flesh.”

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics*, 4:263.

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“The presence of sin in the believer involves conflict in his heart and life. If there is remaining, indwelling sin, there must be the conflict which Paul describes in Roman 7:14ff. It is futile to argue that this conflict is not normal. If there is still sin to any degree in one who is indwelt by the Holy Spirit, then there is tension, yes, contradiction, within the heart of that person.”

John Murray, *Redemption Accomplished and Applied*, 153.

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“Indeed, the more sanctified the person is, the more conformed he is to the image of his Savior, the more he must recoil against every lack of conformity to the holiness of God. The deeper his apprehension of the majesty of God, the greater the intensity of his love to God, the more persistent his yearning for the attainment of the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus, the more conscious will he be of the gravity of the sin which remains and the more poignant will be his detestation of it.”

John Murray, *Redemption Accomplished and Applied*, 153.

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“The more closely he comes to the holiest of all, the more he apprehends the sinfulness that is his and he must cry out ‘O wretched man that I am’ (Rom 7:24). Was this not the effect in all the people of God as they came into closer proximity to the revelation of God’s holiness?”

John Murray, *Redemption Accomplished and Applied*, 153.

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Isa 6:5 Then I said,

“Woe is me, for I am ruined!

Because I am a man of unclean lips,

And I live among a people of unclean lips;

For my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts.”

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Job 42:5 “I have heard of You by the hearing of the ear;
But now my eye sees You;

Job 42:6 Therefore I retract,
And I repent in dust and ashes.”

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Luke 5:8 But when Simon Peter saw *that*, he fell down at Jesus' feet, saying, "Go away from me Lord, for I am a sinful man!"

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“In this matter the indicative lies at the basis of the imperative and our faith of fact is indispensable to the discharge of duty.”

John Murray, *Redemption Accomplished and Applied*, 153.

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“Those who are born of God increasingly become the children of God and bear his image and likeness, because in principle they already are his children. The rule of organic life applies to them: Become what you are!”

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics*, 4:255.

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“Jesus and the apostles derive the most compelling reasons for spurring them on to a holy life from what believer now already are by grace through faith in Christ: Jesus is the vine, his disciples are the branches. Those who remain in him bear much fruit, for without him they can do nothing (John 15:5). Members of the church have died with Christ to sin but are alive to God in him (Rom 6:11).”

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics*, 4:255.

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“They are not under the law but under grace, and sin therefore may not have dominion over them (6:14). By the law they have died to the law and belong to Christ in order that they may bear fruit for God (7:4; Gal 2:19).

They are not in the flesh but in the Spirit and must therefore walk according to the Spirit (Rom 8:5). The night is far gone, the day is near; the works of darkness must therefore be laid aside, and the armor of light must be put on (13:12).”

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics*, 4:255–56.

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“The bodies of believers are members of Christ and temples of the Holy Spirit; hence they must flee the sin of fornication (1 Cor 6:15). They have been bought at a high price; so then they must glorify God in their bodies and spirits, which belong to God (1 Cor 6:20). They stand in the freedom with which Christ has made them free; and in Christ, nothing has any power, except faith working through love (Gal 5:1, 6).”

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics*, 4:256.

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“About Christ they have heard and through him they have learned that they must put away the old self and put on the new self, which is created according to the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness (Eph 4:21ff). As beloved children, they must be imitators of God (5:1). They must live in love as Christ has loved them (5:2). They are light in the Lord and therefore they must walk as children of light (5:8).”

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics*, 4:256.

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“In a word: not law but gospel, the salvation granted and received in Christ, is the one mighty motive for a holy walk of life.”

Herman Bavinck, *Reformed Dogmatics*, 4:256.

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1 Pet 1:14 As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts *which were yours* in your ignorance, **15** but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all *your* behavior; **16** because it is written, “YOU SHALL BE HOLY, FOR I AM HOLY.”

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2 Cor 6:16 . . . For we are the temple of the living God; just as God said,
“I WILL DWELL IN THEM AND WALK AMONG THEM;
AND I WILL BE THEIR GOD, AND THEY SHALL BE MY PEOPLE.
17 “Therefore, COME OUT FROM THEIR MIDST AND BE
SEPARATE,” says the Lord.
“AND DO NOT TOUCH WHAT IS UNCLEAN;
And I will welcome you.

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2 Cor 6:18 “And I will be a father to you,
And you shall be sons and daughters to Me,”
Says the Lord Almighty.

2 Cor 7:1 Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all defilement of flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

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Eph 5:1 Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children; **2** and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma.

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Phil 2:14 Do all things without grumbling or disputing; **15** so that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world, **16** holding fast the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I will have reason to glory because I did not run in vain nor toil in vain

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1 John 3:1 See how great a love the Father has bestowed on us, that we would be called children of God; and *such* we are. For this reason the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. **2** Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is. **3** And everyone who has this hope *fixed* on Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

