

***WE ARE NOT ON OUR OWN!***

***1 Thessalonians 5:23-24***

*1 Thes 4:3 - For this is the will of God, your sanctification; that is, that you abstain from sexual immorality...*

*Rom 8:29 - For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son...*

*1 Thes 1:2–5 - 2 We give thanks to God always for all of you...5 for our gospel did not come to you in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction...*

**Four perspectives on sanctification...**

**I. THE ULTIMATE SOURCE**

*23 Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you...*

*Zech 4:6 - ...Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' says the LORD of hosts.*

*Col 1:28–29 - 28 We proclaim Him, admonishing every man and teaching every man with all wisdom...29 For this purpose also I labor, striving according to His power, which mightily works within me.*

*Rom 6:19 - ... present your members as slaves to righteousness, resulting in sanctification.*

*Rom 12:1 - ... present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice...*

*1 Cor 9:27 - ...I discipline my body and make it my slave...*

*1 Cor 2:4 – 4...my message and my preaching were not in persuasive words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power...*

*1 Cor 15:10 - ... by the grace of God I am what I am...*

*Phil 2:12–13 - 12 ... work out your salvation with fear and trembling; 13 for it is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure.*

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*Rom 15:33 - Now the God of peace be with you all...*

*2 Cor 13:11 - ...the God of love and peace will be with you.*

*Isa 53:5 - But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed.*

*Rom 5:1 - Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ...*

*Col 1:20 - ...(He) made peace through the blood of His cross...*

*Acts 10:36 - ... preaching peace through Jesus Christ...*

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## II. THE THOROUGH RESULT

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*23...and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete...*

# *Trichotomy*

*2 Cor 4:16 - ... though our outer man is decaying, yet our inner man is being renewed day by day.*

*Dichotomy*

*1 Cor 5:5 - I have decided to deliver such a one to Satan for the destruction of his **flesh**, so that his **spirit** may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.*

*Col 2:5 - For even though I am absent in **body**, nevertheless I am with you in **spirit**, rejoicing to see your good discipline and the stability of your faith in Christ.*

*1 Cor 7:34 - ... The woman who is unmarried, and the virgin, is concerned about the things of the Lord, that she may be holy both in **body** and **spirit**...*

*Matt 10:28 - Do not fear those who kill the **body** but are unable to kill the **soul**; but rather fear Him who is able to destroy both **soul** and **body** in hell.*

*Mark 12:30 - AND YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND, AND WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH.'*

*Luke 1:46–47 – 46...Mary said: "My soul exalts the Lord, 47 and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior.*

*Heb 4:12 - For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.*

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*1 Cor 6:19–20 - 19...do you not know that your **body** is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you...20...  
...therefore glorify God in your **body**.*

*Rom 6:12–13 - 12 Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal **body** so that you obey its lusts, 13 and do not go on presenting the members of your **body** to sin as instruments of unrighteousness; but present yourselves to God as those alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God.*

*Rom 12:1 - ...I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your **bodies** a living and holy sacrifice...*

*1 Cor 6:13 - ...the **body** is not for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord is for the **body**...*

*1 Cor 9:27 - ...I discipline my **body** and make it my slave...*

*Col 3:5 - ...consider the members of your earthly **body** as dead to immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed, which amounts to idolatry.*

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## II. THE THOROUGH RESULT

*23...entirely...*

*23...and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete...*

*23...without blame...*

*Eph 5:25–27 – 25...Christ...loved the church and gave Himself up for her, 26 so that He might **sanctify** her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, 27 that He might present to Himself the church in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she would be holy and **blameless**.*

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### III. THE FUTURE CULMINATION

*23...at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*1 Thes 3:13 - so that He may establish your hearts without blame in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all His saints.*

*1 Thes 4:16-17 – 16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive and remain will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we shall always be with the Lord.*

*1 Cor 15:51–52 - 51 ... we will all be changed, 52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.*

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**III. THE FUTURE CULMINATION**

**IV. THE REASSURING PROMISE**

*24 Faithful is He who calls you...*

*2:12 - ...walk in a manner worthy of the God who calls you into His own kingdom and glory.*

*2:14 - ... He called you through our gospel...*

*Eph 2:8 - For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God...*

*1 Thes 4:7 - ...God has not called us for the purpose of impurity, but in sanctification.*

*Rom 8:30 - and these whom He predestined, He also called; and these whom He called, He also justified; and these whom He justified, He also glorified.*

*1 Cor 1:9 - God is faithful, through whom you were called into fellowship with His Son...*

*2 Thes 3:3 - ...the Lord is faithful, and He will strengthen and protect you from the evil one.*

*2 Tim 2:13 - If we are faithless, He remains faithful...*

*Heb 10:23 - ... He who promised is faithful...*

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III. THE FUTURE COMPLETION

IV. THE REASSURING PROMISE

*24 ...and He also will bring it to pass.*

*Phil 1:6 - For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.*

*Eph 3:20 - Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us,*

*Jude 24–25 - 24 Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy, 25 to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.*

