

Kingdom Prayers for Sanctification, 6

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24 -- Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

Christians are unable to attain any spiritual growth by their own power. They must rely on the God of peace, who made peace with radically corrupt sinners by crushing his only son, Jesus Christ, for their crimes.

A peace that cannot be fully understood or comprehended, as yet. A peace that God promises and fulfills, through a complete cleansing of seemingly irreparable people...like us. He is all powerful and faithful that we will be presented to the Father without spot or blemish, to the glory of Jesus Christ our Lord!

Lord, you confound me with the ways in which you work. Your ways are not my ways, and your understanding is far above mine. I now realize that I could not have known you had you not opened my eyes and dragged me to you. You saved me in spite of myself.

You gave me a grateful heart for the gift my salvation, and I have a growing desire to obey you and live in a way that will please you. It's a blessing to know that you control everything, because it never worked well when I thought it was all up to me. Thank you for removing that burden.

Thank you for allowing me to realize that everything is not about me, though I still want my own way. I pray that you will continue to diminish my selfish demands.

Lord, I can tell that you are working to make me more like Christ, but the changes in me are nearly imperceptible. Give me more patience to allow you to work in me according to your good pleasure. Teach me to trust and obey, and to serve in your kingdom for your glory.

You gave me life, faith, salvation, forgiveness, eternal life in your presence, and every blessing I've ever experienced. Now you're changing me into what you want me to be. Lead On, O King Eternal! Make me a good and faithful servant for your eternal glory. Amen.

