

DEATH Produces GLORY

First, for the believer in Christ, dying means

- Hating our lives in this world – willing to give up everything for His sake (John 12:25)

If we hate our lives we will save it. Death Produces Life

Secondly, for the believer in Christ, dying means

- Following Him – It means to cleave to Christ steadfastly and conforming to His example in living and dying. (John 12:26)

If we follow Him, God the Father will honor us. Death Produces Blessings

Thirdly, for the believer in Christ, dying means

- **Enduring our cross** no matter how painful (John 12:27-28)

If we endure our cross, God will glorify us. Death Produces Glory

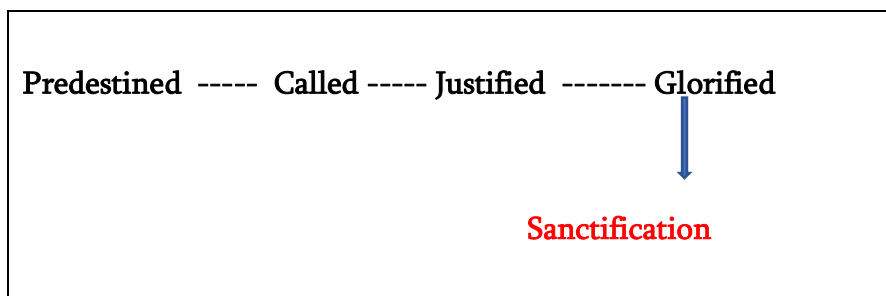
Today's Focus: DEATH Produces GLORY

- **Glorify** is the true nature of something. To **Glorify** means to reveal the true nature or attributes of that thing.
- God saved us so that we would bring Him glory. Meaning we would reflect true nature that is His character and characteristics.
- Glorification then is when the believer in Christ conforms to the image of Christ - Romans 8:28-30

"And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose." Rom 8:28

"For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren." Rom 8:29

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



Predestined – God chooses us based on His foreknowledge

Called – The Spirit of God works on bringing us faith in Christ

Justified – When we receive salvation and enter into a relationship with God

Glorification – We will be free from the presence of sin and be conformed to the image of Christ

Sanctification – Is a lifelong progressive growth of a Christian by obeying God through the power of the Holy Spirit. Freeing us from the power of sin in our everyday lives

Justification	Sanctification	Glorification
Past	Present	Future
a Fact	a Process	a Promise
Positional	Progressive	Permanent
"I am in Christ"	"I am being conformed to the image of Christ"	"I will be with Christ"

- The path to glorification is through death - [John 12:23-24](#)
- The path to glorification is a painful one – [John 12:27](#)

Letting go of anything we want to embrace what God wants is not easy

What Happens When We Endure Our Cross?

- 1) The glory of a character that reflects His perfectly – 1 John 3:2
- 2) The glory of a heavenly home literally – John 14:3; Revelation 21:1-2; 2 Peter 3:13
- 3) The glory of His commendation personally – Matthew 25:31, 34
- 4) The glory of reigning with Him eternally – Revelation 21:3-5

Growth Group Study Questions

For the week of March 28, 2021

ICE BREAKERS

Share a story, testimony, or a joke with your group members. Use it as a tool of encouragement.

REVIEW

This weekend we learned that just as Jesus' death produced glory, 'enduring our cross' will also produce glorification. Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

GROUP DISCUSSION

1. Read Romans 8:28-30 and review the concepts of predestination, Calling, Justification, and Glorification.
2. Where does Sanctification fit in our journey towards Glorification?
3. Discuss the following statement: "Sanctification is a lifelong progressive growth of a Christian by obeying God through the power of the Holy Spirit.
4. Read the following verses of scripture and discuss in relation to sanctification: Romans 6:19; Philippians 2:13; 1 Thessalonians 4:3
5. We likened Sanctification to "enduring our cross" during our study.
 - a. What can we learn from Jesus when it got tough for Him in enduring the cross according to Hebrews 12:2.
 - b. Discuss the 'joy set before you' principle. In what areas of our lives is this principle applicable? Name a few

APPLYING THE LESSON TO YOUR LIFE

As God works in our lives from when we are called to the time of glorification. What should be the attitude of the believer in Christ?

Pray that God will give us the discipline to allow Him to work on us until we conform to the image of Christ.



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Welcome to our church family where you can come just as you are. We value the practical application of God's word to make a difference in who we are and what we do. Our mission is to "Mold disciples of Christ."

If you are looking for a home church, we invite you to worship with us. We believe you will find our church family to be a warm, friendly place where you can grow in your faith and discover more of God's plan for your life. We look forward to having you worship with us again! We are located at:

10307 Coppermine Rd, Woodsboro, MD 21798

Sunday Worship Order of Service

- *Sunday Morning Service:
10am-11:10am*
- *Morning Prayer Conference
Monday-Friday: 5:00am-5:30am.
Dial 253 993 3029 to join*
- *Prayer Service @ 8pm-9pm
Every Friday on the prayer conference line*
- *Women Enrichment Network (W.E.N) weekly Prayer
Wednesdays on the Prayer Conference line
8pm-8:30pm*

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🔥 Youth Bible Study, Mondays 8-9 pm
🔥 Growth Group Has Begun! Find a group!