



*Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord.*  
Hebrews 12:14

### I. Introduction: Holy Club

By rule they eat, by rule they drink,  
By rule do all things but think.  
Accuse the priests of loose behavior.  
To get more in the laymen's favor.  
Method alone must guide 'em all  
When themselves "Methodists" they call.

### II. Nature of holiness

What is sanctification?

Romans 8:29: Sanctification is the process of being conformed to the image of Christ.

### III. Birth of Holiness: Union With Christ

1 Corinthians 6:11

#### A. Romans 6:1-11: Foundation of sanctification

Union with Christ sanctifies us and makes a holy life possible  
We have died and risen again (6:9-11)  
We have been set free (6:17-18)

#### B. Commands of holiness

First commandment for holiness: Consider (6:11)

Second commandment: Present (6:19)

*"For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace."* Romans 6:14

### III. Sanctification and Corruption: Romans 7

Galatians 2:20

Romans 7:17

Two dangers in sanctification: Triumphalism and Despair

#### IV. Hope of Sanctification: Romans 8

Romans 8:3-4

A. Mortification: Romans 8:12-13

B. Vivification: Romans 8:18-23

#### V. Application

A. To the word and to the testimony!

The Spirit sanctifies us through his word. If we want to be like Christ, we need to know Christ. And the Spirit shows us Christ on the pages of this book!

B. The hope of glory in times of suffering

The Spirit uses the Word to show us Christ's glory and make us like him.

Holiness is not an option, and God promises to make everyone who believes in Christ like Him.