**Second Dimension – Christianity Experienced**

**Segment V – The Golden Chain of Redemption (Concepts 44-53)Progressive Bible Concepts - #48 “Adoption and Sanctification”**

***The Work of Redemption***

***“The Order of Salvation”***

***‘The Ordo Salutis’***

“The s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of e\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in God’s p\_\_\_\_\_\_ of salvation.”

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**Initial Steps in Our Salvation**

* Lost Condition - *“D\_\_\_\_\_\_ in our s\_\_\_\_\_\_”* - Total Depravity – sin has affected all aspects of our being – ‘god- less’ or without God
* Outward Call – *“C\_\_\_\_\_\_ unto M\_\_”* - The F\_\_\_\_\_\_ O\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Gospel - God’s gracious offer of s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in which He invites lost sinners to accept the salvation that is offered in Christ Jesus.
* Inward Call – ‘*believing with the heart and confessing with the mouth”* The Holy Spirit bearing w\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the preaching of the gospel in the hearts of listeners.
* Regeneration – *“B\_\_\_\_\_\_ A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”* – The l\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God in the s\_\_\_\_\_\_ of man
* Conversion – *“…you shall be saved…”* - Calling upon the Lord in f\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Initial Steps in Our Salvation**

* Justification – a legal declaration by God in which He a\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ sinners of all l\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ resulting from their many violations of His moral law
* Adoption – God’s gracious act of making estranged sinners members of His heavenly f\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and h\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of His eternal riches and glory
* Sanctification – the spiritual growth p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of c\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the believer to the image of Christ

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**Adoption R\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as children into God’s f\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – *“But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God.”* John1:12**

* Definition - God’s gracious act in which He adopts believers and gives them all the rights of children including the right to an eternal inheritance.
* We received a spirit of A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to replace the spirit of A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ between us and our heavenly father.
* *“The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God.” Rom 8:16*

**What does it mean to adopt?**

* To choose or take as one’s o\_\_\_\_, to embrace into one’s family; to i\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a new relationship with another that b\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the two together legally and personally in close family ties
* Historical overview – In ancient Rome, adoption of boys (not girls) was fairly common, usually in the upper classes to best manage estate inheritance matters. In the Imperial period, adoption effectively served as the means for transfer of power. Many emperors (Augustine, Tiberius, Trajan) were adopted sons. Distinguished from guardianship, which simply gave custody of a dying man’s children to another man.

**Definition - What does the word ‘adopt’ mean?**

* Hebrew – no uses found in the OT
* Greek – *huiothesia* – *huios* – son; *thesis* – to place – to grant to one of no affinity the p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of a s\_\_\_\_ (child) - used only by Paul
* Latin – *adoptare –* c\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for o\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* “Now I say, as long as the heir is a child, he does not differ at all from a slave although he is owner of everything, but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by the father. So also we, while we were children, were held in bondage under the elemental things of the world. But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the a\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as sons. Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an h\_\_\_\_\_\_ through God.” Galatians 4:1-7

**Distinctions:**

* Regeneration – the i\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ o\_\_ new spiritual life to us
* Justification – the a\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of us by God as being righteous
* Adoption – the e\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of our heavenly Father as children and the e\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to all the family rights and privileges
* Sanctification – the r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of our nature in His image
* Regeneration r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in justification and adoption, all of which l\_\_\_\_\_\_ to sanctification.
* Adoption is s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with regeneration and justification.
* The Spirit of God Who regenerates us, enters our hearts and c\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to us that we are adopted by our new heavenly Father.
* By regeneration, sinners are made members of God’s k\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_; through adoption, they are made members of God’s f\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Adoption, though distinct from regeneration and justification, is i\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from them. The regenerated, justified person is always the recipient of adoption.
* Adoption is similar to justification in that it involves a change of s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in a legal sense.
* Story – Governor of Tennessee
* Regeneration results in justification and adoption, all of which l\_\_\_\_\_\_ to sanctification.

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**Sanctification**

C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Righteousness – *“This is the will of God, your s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_…” I Thess 4:3*

* Definition - The continuous operation of the Holy Spirit by which He p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the sinner, r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ his whole nature in the image of God, and e\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ him to perform good works.
* The process (not point action) is one of p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, c\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the life of God in all aspects of our persons.
* Benefit – “Through sanctification, we are freed from the P\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of sin.”
* “The word ‘sanctify or sanctification’ is found approximately \_\_\_\_\_\_ times in the entire bible.
* Hebrew – *qadesh* – set apart or separate for God – the root word *‘qad’,* to cut. This places the idea of ‘s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_’ at the center of the original word.
* Greek – *agios* – p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from all uncleanness, expresses primarily the idea of separation similar to the Hebrew word
* Latin – *sanctus (holy) facere (*to make) – to m\_\_\_\_\_\_ holy
* Separation FROM sin – M\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – death to sin
  + Sin is s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the life of a believer.
  + Conversion r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ sin in the life of the believer.
* Separation TO God – V\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – life with God
  + God is e\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the life of a believer.
  + Conformity to Christ is the new d\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ principle of life.
* *“It is one thing for sin to live in us; it is another for us to l\_\_\_\_\_\_ i\_\_s\_\_\_\_.”* John Murray
* For the unbeliever, sin is not only present but always d\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* For the believer, sin is not dominant, but always p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**The Believer’s Death to Sin in Principle:**

* *“What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin so that grace may increase? May it never be! Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in n\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of life. For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection, knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to sin; 7for he who has died is f\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from sin.”* Rom 6:1-7
* *“Even so consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus.Therefore do not let sin r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in your mortal body so that you obey its lusts, 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. For sin shall not be m\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ over you, for you are not under law but under grace.”* Rom 6:11-14

**The Believer’s Death to Sin in Practice:**

* *“But thanks be to God that though you were slaves of sin, you became o\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from the h\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to that form of teaching to which you were committed, and having been freed from sin, you became s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of r\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. For just as you presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness, resulting in further lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness, resulting in S\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.”* Rom 6:17-19
* *“For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. Therefore what benefit were you then deriving from the things of which you are now a\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_? For the outcome of those things is death. But now having been freed from sin and enslaved to God, you derive your benefit, resulting in S\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and the outcome, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”* Rom 6:20-22

**Sanctification - Analogies**  **Capital City and the Outskirts**

* In the unbeliever, sin occupies the c\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ c\_\_\_\_\_\_; in the believer, sin is driven to the outskirts of the country.

**Sanctification - Analogies**  **Sheriff and the Outlaw**

* Unbeliever - Sin is the s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, God is the o\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
* Believer – God is the sheriff, sin b\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the outlaw.

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**Summary** – **Concept 48**

* Adoption refers to the believer’s inclusion into the family of God and sanctification refers to the believer’s separation from sin unto God.

**Next Week** – **Concept 49**

* Sanctification – A Contemporary Paradigm