

TITLE: The Gospel Perspective on Sanctification
TEXT: Philippians 3:11-21
THEME: Sanctification
PROP.: We must constantly remind ourselves that we are not yet done!
INTER.: How should I think about sanctification?

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OUTLINE:

- I. Press toward the mark (11-16)
 - A. A singular focus
 1. The necessity of “forgetting”
 2. The necessity of forging ahead
 - B. A specific goal
 1. The destination
 2. The demonstration
 - C. A solid starting place
- II. Pick the right role models (17-21)
 - A. The necessity of good examples
 - B. The nature of poor examples
 - C. The “new” perspective

QUESTIONS:

1. What did you hear?
2. What is “sanctification?” What does it mean that sanctification is

“progressive?”

3. How can looking back be harmful to our spiritual growth?
4. What are some things from the past that we must “move past” in order to live for Christ?
5. As we live this life, we are to be looking for the return of Christ. How should this impact the way we live? (Ref. 1 John 3:1-3)
6. What is the relationship between serving (using our spiritual gifts) and spiritual maturity? (Ref. Eph 2:8-10; 1 Tim 4:6-9)
7. How can a good example impact us?
8. Can you share a time when you were impacted by a good example?
9. Paul emphasizes the necessity of living in community. One of the reasons that it is so important that we make the choice to put ourselves around “good examples” is because there are so many bad ones. In light of this truth, discuss why “Church” is so important?
10. What does it mean that “our citizenship” is in heaven? How should this impact how we think and how we live now?