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Romans 6:11-14

Positional Sanctification: Believers are already unchangeably holy (set apart, consecrated) in God's sight because of their union with Christ. (See 1 Cor 1:2; 1 Cor 6:11)

Final Sanctification: Believers will ultimately be sanctified fully in practice (sinless) at glorification. (See Phil 1:6; 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24; 1 John 3:2; Romans 8:30; 1 Cor 15:52-53)

WSC Q3: What is sanctification?

Answer: Sanctification is the work of God's free grace, whereby we are renewed in the whole man after the image of God, and are enabled more and more to die unto sin, and live unto righteousness.

From HCF Core Values:

We value *progressive Sanctification* and personal holiness. Becoming like Christ is chief among our pursuits and the way we glorify God and enjoy Him. Sanctification is something we continually strive for so that we take on the character and likeness of Christ in our thoughts, words, and deeds. True saving faith in Christ brings about an obedience to God's commandments which powerfully changes our lives. Bearing the fruit of the Spirit in our daily lives is our humble desire. This is the ministry of the Holy Spirit in sanctification, and our cooperation with Him is a central element of our worship. Humility and forbearing love are values of importance in our relation to God and to one another.

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Main Idea: United with Christ, believers live out our new identity—dead to sin, alive to God, through His grace.

• Remember Who You Are (v 11)

• Refuse Sin's Reign (vv 12-13a)

• Render Yourself to God (vv 13b-14)