




Sanctification | Application

 **READ: Romans 6:9-13**


 **WRITE:** List all the phrases from this passage that reflect a life of sanctification.


 **2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1**

 What are some things in our current society that could “contaminate the body and spirit”?


 Since Paul tells us that it is the responsibility of each individual to “purify himself,” what practices can a person put in place to consistently remain pure from the influences of the world while living in it? (Be prepared to share these practical disciplines with those you disciple.)


It is through the repeated process of separating oneself from things that can taint or spoil the work God wants to achieve in them, that a person begins to reflect the pure truth of God’s nature and His Word.


 According to **2 Corinthians 7:1**, what should be the motivation of each believer to pursue holy living?

 **Titus 2:11-13**

Some people think that they can live as the world, unaffected by its impurities. Yet, many people who claim to know Jesus have settled for living a morally acceptable life rather than perfecting holiness.

 **FISHING FOR MEN:** As God provides opportunities, point out biblical truth concerning contemporary issues. In doing so, you can help those you disciple learn to divide what is merely good behavior from that which is godly—leading to genuine sanctification.

 **Psalms 119:9; John 17:17**


 **ACTION:** Develop the habit of examining worldly influences from God’s perspective, rather than your own, by asking Christ-centered questions to promote sanctification in yourself and others:

Regarding any issue, activity, or relationship:

- Is it addressed in God’s Word?
- Will it please the Lord and honor Him?
- Does it reflect God’s best for my life?
- Will it help to develop godliness in me?

 **John 17:13-19**

It is never Jesus' desire that His disciples be isolated from the world. However, in order to be effective for Christ's kingdom, believers must be sanctified from the world's evil practices.

 Just as the world misunderstood and even hated Jesus, train those you disciple to recognize that growing in Christ-likeness will result in opposition by the world.

 **James 4:4-6**


In discipling others, it's beneficial to be able to identify even the most subtle ways that believers are tempted to be influenced by the world.


 What are some indications that a believer has chosen to befriend the world?

 **James 4:7**

Note the significant order of this verse.

 Why is it important that believers first submit themselves to God in order to more effectively resist the devil?

 How is this verse pertinent to the discipline of sanctification?

 **TO ENCOURAGE:** But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you have come to obey from your heart the pattern of teaching that has now claimed your allegiance. You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness. (**Romans 6:17-18**)