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[Jeremiah 29:11](#)

The Lord has a grand plan for the life of every believer, and it can be summed up in the term we looked at yesterday: sanctification. This refers to the process by which something is made holy—in other words, separated from its former common usage and dedicated to God for His purposes.

Every person is born spiritually dead and an enemy of God ([Ephesians 2:1](#); [Romans 5:10](#)). But the moment we trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, our sins are wiped away, the Holy Spirit comes to live within us, and we're adopted into God's family. From that moment on, we are set apart as God's children for His sacred purposes.

This means we are here on earth not to chase after pleasure and personal gain but to serve and obey the Lord. And in so doing, we bring Him honor and glory. As members of God's family, we are called to reflect Christ's character. The Lord now calls us saints—a term that shares its root with sanctification—not because we live sinlessly, but because that's our position in Christ and should be our practice as well. No longer are we to give ourselves to sin; instead, we should present ourselves to God as slaves of obedience.

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