

*Valley Bible Church – Sermon Notes*

**Sermon Notes for June 7-8, 1997**

**"A Prayer for Sanctification"**

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**1 Thessalonians 5:23-24**

The nature of sanctification

Sanctify (HAGIAZO) means "to separate".

In this context we would have to understand that it is Paul's prayer that the Thessalonians be separated from sin to holiness.

There are three basic elements of sanctification.

Positional sanctification (Hebrews 10:10)

Positional sanctification becomes the sphere in which we live (1 Thessalonians 4:7).

Positional sanctification is a force so powerful that we will find it increasingly more difficult to move toward sin and away from holiness.

Practical sanctification (2 Corinthians 7:1)

Perfect sanctification (Romans 8:18-23)

Source of sanctification (1 Thessalonians 5:12)