

Women & More
A 'call' and 'walk' Experience

The 'Son' Room

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Born in a manger "...because there was no room in the inn..." from the womb to the manger, and from there to the tomb, Jesus would occupy the small spaces. The 'Son' is now glorified and at the Father's right hand, but we need to "prepare Him room" in our hearts and lives. As our justification before the Father is through faith in Jesus Christ our Lord, so our *sanctification* is through Him—in His way, in His truth, and in His life.

We must be about: "Spending time alone with God,
so we have a deepening love relationship with our Father
and something of substance to give to others.

And making a difference during the impact moments we have with other people
through walking and talking the way he did."

Carol Kent

Prepare by Soaking in Scripture (in topical order):

Matthew 1:20 (Jesus conceived in Mary's womb)

Luke 2:6-7 (Jesus in the manger)

Mark 14:14-15 (Jesus in the upper room)

Matthew 28:6 (Jesus in the tomb)

Scripture to Memorize:

Galatians 2:20 (Jesus in the believer's heart) "*I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but **Christ lives in me**. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.*"

NOTES on Speaking Session:

Questions for Mentor-group Discussion:

1. As a believer, for Christ to “settle down and be at home in your heart,” what are at least three things that would first have to go?

a. _____ b. _____ and c. _____.

2. When Scripture says that the Holy Spirit lives in believers (1 Corinthians 3:16 “*Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that **God's Spirit lives in you?***”), how would you explain that in relation to Paul's Galatians 2:20a statement: “***Christ lives in me***”?

3. Do your best to describe what the words **justification**, **sanctification** and **glorification** mean?

Justification _____.

Sanctification _____.

Glorification _____.

“One of the most remarkable Christian doctrines is that Jesus Christ himself through the Holy Spirit will actually enter a heart, settle down and be at home there. Christ will live in any human heart that welcomes him.”

Robert Boyd Munger

Recommended Reading:

Becoming a Woman of Influence, Carol Kent

Let Go, Francois Fenelon

My Heart-Christ's Home, Robert Boyd Munger

SANCTIFICATION

Sanctification, as defined by the RBC *Liberty Illustrated Bible Dictionary* is: “The process of God’s grace by which the believer is **separated from sin** and becomes **dedicated to God’s righteousness**. Accomplished by the Word of God (John 17:7) and the Holy Spirit (Romans 8:3-4), sanctification results in holiness, or purification from the guilt and power of sin.” Below are some verses using the words Sanctified, Sanctify and Sanctifying in Scripture:

SANCTIFIED (Sanctify)

John 17:19 that they too may be truly *sanctified*
 Acts 20:32 among all those who are *sanctified*
 Acts 26:18 among those who are *sanctified* by faith
 Ro 15:16 to God, *sanctified* by the Holy Spirit.
 1 Cor 1:2 to those *sanctified* in Christ Jesus
 1 Cor 6:11 But you were washed, you were *sanctified*,
 1 Cor 7:14 and the unbelieving wife has been *sanctified*
 1 Cor 7:14 and the unbelieving husband has been *sanctified*
 1 Thess 4:3 It is God’s will that you should be *sanctified*
 Heb 10:29 blood of the covenant that *sanctified* him,

SANCTIFY (Sanctified, Sanctifying)

John 17:17 *Sanctify* them by the truth; your word is
 John 17:19 For them I *sanctify* myself, that they too
 1 Thess 5:23 *sanctify* you through and through
 Heb 9:13 are ceremonially unclean *sanctify* them

SANCTIFYING (Sanctify)

2 Thess 2:13 through the *sanctifying* work of the Spirit
 1 Pet 1:2 through the *sanctifying* work of the Spirit,

Philippians 1:6 “*He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.*”

1. We who have received the Lord Jesus Christ are new creatures
 2 Corinthians 5:17.
2. Therefore, we do not enjoy sin anymore 1 Corinthians 6:9.

Psalm 89:15-16 “*Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim you, who walk in the light of your presence, O LORD. 16They rejoice in your name all day long; they exult in your righteousness.*”

Whatever It Takes

There's a voice calling me
From an old rugged tree.
And He whispers, 'Draw closer to Me:
Leave this world far behind,
There are new heights to climb
And a new place in Me you will find.'

CHORUS:

For whatever it takes to draw closer to you, Lord,
That's what I'll be willing to do.
For whatever it takes to be more like You,
That's what I'll be willing to do.

Take the dearest things to me,
If that's how it must be
To draw me closer to thee;
Let the disappointments come,
Lonely days without the sun,
If through sorrow more like You I'll become.

Take my houses, my lands,
Change my dreams, change my plans
For I'm placing my whole life in Your hands.
And if You call me today...
To a place far away
Lord, I'll go, and your will obey.

REFRAIN:

I'll trade sunshine for rain
Comfort for pain—
That's what I'll be willing to do—
For whatever it takes for my will to break,
That's what I'll be willing to do;
That's what I'll be willing to do.

Lanny Wolfe