

**“The Doctrine of Justification:
The Application – part 4”
Text: 1 Thessalonians 4:1**

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A. The Evidence of Transformation: Marks of Adoption

1. Fellowship with God:
1 John 1:6-7; Philippians 2:19-21
2. Sensitivity to sin:
1 John 1:8-10; Jeremiah 17:9
3. Willful obedience to God’s commands:
1 John 2:3-5; James 1:22
4. Dissatisfaction with the world:
1 John 2:15; Galatians 6:4
5. Desire for Christ’s return:
1 John 3:1-3; Revelation 22:20
6. Decreasing of sinful habits:
1 John 3:7-10; Galatians 5:22-24
7. Sacrificial love for other believers:
1 John 3:14, 16-18; 1 Cor. 13: 1-7
8. Recognizing the presence of the Spirit:
1 John 3:24-4:2; John 16:3-14
9. Enjoyment of God’s Word proclaimed:
1 John 4:6; Psalm 112:1
10. Confidence in prayer:
1 John 5:13-15; John 16:23-34

B. The On Going Work of Transformation

2 Cor. 6:14-7:2

1. Putting off the old self: Eph. 4:20-22
 - a. Sanctification involves learning
Matt. 11:28-30
 - b. Sanctification looks to Christ alone
John 21:20-22
 - c. Sanctification remembers our past
1 Timothy 1:12-15

2. Putting on the new self: Eph. 4:24

a. Sanctification rests on justification

1 Cor. 1:30-31

b. Sanctification pursues one objective

Phil. 3:13-15

3. Means of putting off and putting on: Eph. 4:23

a. Mind renewal

Romans 12:1-2

b. Replacement thinking

Genesis 6:5