

Soteriology: Ordo Salutis 3
Adoption, Sanctification, Perseverance, & Glorification

- I. The *Ordo Salutis* - Calling, Regeneration, Faith, Repentance, Justification, Adoption, Sanctification, Perseverance, Glorification - Eph. 1:3-14
- II. **Adoption** - *is God making us members of his family.*
 - A. **WSC 34:** What is adoption? *Adoption is an act of God's free grace, whereby we are received into the number, and have a right to all the privileges of the Sons of God.*
 - B. See: John 3:1; John 1:12; Gal. 4:4-6; Rom. 8:17
- III. **Sanctification** - *is the process whereby we are purified from sin by the Holy Spirit.*
 - A. **WSC 35:** What is sanctification? *Sanctification is the work of God's free grace, whereby we are renewed in the whole man after the image of God, and are enabled more and more to die unto sin, and live unto righteousness.*
 - B. See: 2 Thess. 2:13; Eph. 4:24; Rom. 8:1
- IV. **Perseverance** - *is the fact that when the Holy Spirit regenerates us, we cannot lose our faith. It does not depend upon our ability, but on God's promise to preserve us.*
 - A. **WCF 17.1.** They, whom God has accepted in His Beloved, effectually called, and sanctified by His Spirit, can neither totally nor finally fall away from the state of grace, but shall certainly persevere therein to the end, and be eternally saved.
 - B. See: Phil. 1:6; Rom. 8:39; 2 Pet. 1:10; John 10:28-29; 17:12
- V. **Glorification** - *is the full and final redemption of our bodies.*
 - A. **WLC 87:** What are we to believe concerning the resurrection? *We are to believe, that at the last day there shall be a general resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust: when they that are then found alive shall in a moment be changed; and the selfsame bodies of the dead which were laid in the grave, being then again united to their souls forever, shall be raised up by the power of Christ. The bodies of the just, by the Spirit of Christ, and by virtue of his resurrection as their head, shall be raised in power, spiritual,*

incorruptible, and made like to his glorious body; and the bodies of the wicked shall be raised up in dishonor by him, as an offended judge.

B. See: Rom. 8:29-30; 1Cor. 15:53

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