

YOUR SANCTIFICATION

I THESS. 4:1-8

I. SALVATION IS NOT THE END OF THE CHRISTIAN EXPERIENCE. V1

- A. How you ought to walk.
 - 1. beseech =
 - 2. exhort =

- B. There are commandments.
 - 1. Christ end of the Law, but not the end of law.

II. GOD WILLS OUR SANCTIFICATION. V3

- A. What is sanctification.
 - 1. separation =
 - 2. dedication.

- B. Sanctification involves abstention.
 - 1. "Know how to manage your body" in consecration.
 - 2. "Not in the passion of lust, as the heathen do, who are ignorant of the true God."

III. SEXUAL SINS ARE CONDEMNED.

- A. A man's wife is his only legitimate partner.
- B. Sex with another man's wife is a double sin.
 - 1. v6 "go beyond" = occurs only here in the N.T. To out-reach our outwit the brother. To take advantage of the brother. Such sins are practiced in secret; the father or husband does not know.
- C. This is not the call of God. v7

IV. GOD WILL PUNISH THE WICKED.

- A. No one else may know, but God does.
 - 1. v6 God is the avenger.
- B. To reject is to reject God.
 - 1. v7,8.