
SERMON OUTLINE

God's relentless pursuit of our holiness 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

How to pray ...

- I. Paul prayed that God would unceasingly move them toward the goal of holiness (1 Thessalonians 5:23a).

- II. Paul prayed that no part of their life would be untouched by God's sanctifying power in preparation for Christ's return (1 Thessalonians 5:23b).
 - A. Spirit – Sanctification begins with realizing God's grace and power in my life (Romans 6:1-11).

 - B. Soul – Sanctification requires I address my motives and attitudes (Psalm 139:23-24; 1 Corinthians 4:5; Hebrews 4:12).

 - C. Body – Sanctification requires I change things I am doing (Romans 6:12-14).

 - D. Motivation – Christ's return – The goal of holiness is to prepare to meet and to enjoy Christ forever!

- III. Paul prayed that they would feel assured because God was faithfully pursuing their holiness (1 Thessalonians 5:24).
 - God will not neglect to pursue what he began!

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