

Sermon for August 29/30, 2026
"I Am Being Saved" Pastor Jeff Manion



SMALL GROUPS

Share Life | Pursue God | Invest In Others

THREE THINGS TO KNOW

DON'T MISS THIS. Starting September 13, our Sermon Discussion Guide will take a short break as we begin our **SPACES** series. Instead of using the SDG during your group time, we encourage your group to follow along with the Spaces companion material designed specifically for the series. This will give your group an opportunity to engage with the series together and continue growing in community. Please reach out to your ministry director with any questions.

GROUP VALUES. This week, we conclude our focus on the value of **SERVING**. As mentioned above, September marks the beginning of our *Spaces* series and serves as a starting point for many of our fall ministries. Many of these ministries are still looking for volunteers to serve and help create spaces where people can grow in their relationship with Jesus. As you discuss sanctification today, ask your group: Could serving within our body of believers be an act of sanctification in your life this season? Consider how God might use serving others to grow your faith and help you become more like Jesus.

GROW AS A LEADER. As we continue through the *Saved* series, take some time to visit Ada Bible's Salvation Resource to deepen your understanding of what Scripture teaches about **SALVATION** and ensure you're tracking with the framework we're using throughout the series. This can be a helpful tool as you prepare to lead conversations and answer questions that may come up in your group. You can find it [HERE](#).

SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

This week, we continue our series, **SAVED**, by exploring an often-overlooked part of salvation: sanctification. We unpack the idea that we have not just "been saved," but we are also "being saved."

ICEBREAKER

What is a skill or hobby you have gotten better at over time, even though you still have a long way to go?

THIS WEEK'S TEXT

Have someone read [Philippians 2:12–13](#) aloud.

What words or phrases stand out to you in this passage?

What does it mean to work out our salvation with "fear and trembling"?

What does this passage suggest about our role in the process of becoming more like Jesus?

THIS WEEK'S SERMON

This week, Pastor Jeff Manion continued our discussion on salvation by exploring the active reality of salvation, our sanctification. As a group, recall some of the sermon's main points and big ideas.

We live in a culture that often celebrates instant results and quick fixes. Where do you see people expecting immediate change in their lives?

Following Jesus is not simply about something that happened in the past; it also involves an ongoing process of becoming more like him. Why do you think Christians sometimes lose sight of this?

God wants to free us from habits, attitudes, and desires that keep us from experiencing the life he intends for us. What are some things that can quietly become enslaving in our lives?

Have someone read [Ephesians 2:8-10](#) aloud. Good works are a response to salvation, not something we do to earn salvation. Why is keeping this order important for how we understand our relationship with God?

Spiritual growth often requires work—doing things that are difficult or uncomfortable. Where have you seen this type of work happen in your life or someone else's? What happened because of that work?

Eternal security can be summarized as “once saved, always saved.” Whereas assurance is the confidence we have that we have been saved. What evidence have you seen in your life (good fruit) that you have been saved?

God invites us to actively participate in the work he is doing in us. What is one area where you sense God inviting you to cooperate with him for greater freedom and transformation right now? What is a good first step?

WRAP UP

This week, we discussed the reality that being saved is not only something God has done in our past, but something he does in us daily. It is God's work in us that he invites us to actively participate in. How can our group support each other as we grow in sanctification?