

0190 051 He who has begun in you an absolute good work will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ.

08/07/97 Phi 1:6; 2:13; 1Th 5:24; Job 23:12-14; Mat 7:15-23

Summary

The discussion focused on Philippians 1:6, emphasizing Paul's confidence in the Philippian church's spiritual growth. McLaughlin highlighted the importance of doctrine in building confidence and the principle that God's work in believers will be completed. The conversation detailed the Greek grammar, noting the use of the perfect active participle "pay poitos" and the middle voice "ARIS." McLaughlin stressed that God the Father initiates and completes the good work in believers, refuting the idea of losing salvation. The session concluded with a call to examine one's spiritual maturity and a warning about false prophets, referencing Matthew 7:15-23.

- **Philippians Chapter One, Verse Six: Introduction and Context [0:04](#)**
 - McLaughlin introduces the topic of Philippians chapter one, specifically verse six, and mentions the UPS strike affecting tape orders.
 - McLaughlin requests help from the audience to find local sources for tapes due to the UPS strike and high delivery costs.
 - A moment of silent prayer is taken to prepare for the study of God's Word.
 - McLaughlin emphasizes the importance of the verse and the fellowship with God through the study of His Word.
- **Paul's Confidence in the Philippian Church [10:02](#)**
 - McLaughlin discusses Paul's confidence in the Philippian church's progress as communicators of doctrine.
 - The Philippian church is described as having tenacity in doctrine, pushing through setbacks and reaching spiritual maturity.
 - McLaughlin compares the Philippian church to the Israelites, noting that both faced adversity but prospered.
 - The principle is introduced that no matter the setbacks, God has a purpose for advancing believers in the spiritual realm.
- **The Role of Doctrine in Building Confidence [10:53](#)**
 - McLaughlin explains that doctrine is designed to build confidence, not to produce insecurities.
 - The importance of having confidence in God's plan and not being discouraged by setbacks is emphasized.
 - McLaughlin highlights the role of doctrine in leading believers to spiritual maturity.
 - The concept of God's plan for believers' lives is discussed, focusing on reaching spiritual maturity.

- **The Faithfulness of God [14:29](#)**
 - McLaughlin emphasizes that God's faithfulness is the key to believers' lives, not their own faithfulness.
 - The importance of recognizing that believers do not earn or deserve the blessings they receive is highlighted.
 - McLaughlin explains that God's faithfulness is based on His character, not on believers' actions.
 - The principle that God's work in believers will be completed is reiterated, emphasizing God's role in the process.
- **The Meaning of "Good Work" [14:48](#)**
 - McLaughlin explains the meaning of "good work" in Philippians 1:6, emphasizing that it is an intrinsic good work started by God.
 - The concept of logistical grace is introduced, explaining that God provides everything believers need to stay alive and advance spiritually.
 - McLaughlin discusses the importance of translating logistical grace into the blessings of grace, leading to spiritual maturity.
 - The role of God's faithfulness in ensuring believers have everything they need to succeed is emphasized.
- **The Role of the Holy Spirit and God the Father [15:07](#)**
 - McLaughlin clarifies that it is God the Father who began the good work in believers, not the Holy Spirit.
 - The importance of being accurate in doctrine is emphasized, particularly in understanding the roles of the Father and the Holy Spirit.
 - McLaughlin explains that the Holy Spirit is the one who works in believers, but it was God the Father who gave the Holy Spirit.
 - The principle that God the Father will complete the work He started is reiterated, emphasizing God's faithfulness.
- **The Importance of Bible Doctrine [51:52](#)**
 - McLaughlin highlights the importance of Bible doctrine in believers' lives, noting that it is more important than daily food.
 - The concept of God's plan for believers' lives is revisited, emphasizing that it includes reaching spiritual maturity.
 - McLaughlin explains that works and productions are the results of spiritual growth, not the means of advancement.
 - The principle that God's work in believers will be completed is reiterated, emphasizing God's role in the process.
- **The Role of Logistical Grace [56:15](#)**
 - McLaughlin explains that God's logistical grace continues until the day believers die or until the day of Christ.
 - The importance of recognizing that God provides everything believers need to support their families is emphasized.
 - McLaughlin discusses the role of logistical grace in ensuring believers have everything they need to succeed.
 - The principle that God's work in believers will be completed is reiterated, emphasizing God's faithfulness.
- **The Role of Bible Doctrine in Spiritual Growth [57:48](#)**

- McLaughlin emphasizes that all divine objectives are accomplished through the daily function of perception, metabolism, and application of Bible doctrine.
- The importance of Bible doctrine in believers' lives is highlighted, noting that it is the means of spiritual advancement.
- McLaughlin explains that works and productions are the results of spiritual growth, not the means of advancement.
- The principle that God's work in believers will be completed is reiterated, emphasizing God's role in the process.
- **The Doctrine of Eternal Security [58:33](#)**
 - McLaughlin explains that the doctrine of eternal security is based on the principle that God will complete the work He started in believers.
 - The importance of recognizing that believers do not earn or deserve the blessings they receive is emphasized.
 - McLaughlin discusses the role of God's faithfulness in ensuring believers have everything they need to succeed.
 - The principle that God's work in believers will be completed is reiterated, emphasizing God's role in the process.
- **The Importance of Confidence in God's Work [59:17](#)**
 - McLaughlin emphasizes that believers should be confident that God has begun an absolute good work within them.
 - The importance of recognizing that believers do not earn or deserve the blessings they receive is highlighted.
 - McLaughlin discusses the role of God's faithfulness in ensuring believers have everything they need to succeed.
 - The principle that God's work in believers will be completed is reiterated, emphasizing God's role in the process.