

# Community Groups

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*Use this guide to help your community group engage further with this week's sermon.*

## **The Divine Work Out! (Philippians 2:12-18)**

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1. To truly “work out your salvation” (vv. 12-13), it’s crucial to understand that salvation has a past, present, and future aspect.
  - a. Look up the following passages and consider when salvation happens: Eph. 2:8-9; 1 Cor. 1:18; Rom. 5:9.
  - b. If you were to emphasize only one aspect of salvation, say the past element, how do you think this would influence your daily life and interactions?
2. In verse 14, Paul prohibits grumbling and disputing as an outflow of working out our salvation.

Looking at the definitions below, discuss situations in your life and in our church where you have responded or where you might respond with these behaviors.

Grumbling = displeasure expressed by murmuring about somebody or something

Disputing = arguing expressed through criticism or debate

3. Why is it necessary to hold fast to the gospel (“the word of life,” v. 16) in order to conquer grumbling and disputing? How does the gospel empower you to act differently? What are you forgetting if you engage in grumbling and disputing as a Christian?
4. What role does suffering have for Christians in keeping unity? What does suffering prove?
5. Share one way you’d like to hold fast to the gospel and put off grumbling and disputing this week, then ask your group to pray for you.