

Philippians 2:12-18

The Testimony of Unity

- I. The path to unity (vv. 12-13)
 - A. Obedience to God – human responsibility (v. 12)
 1. The “what” of obedience – ‘work out your salvation’
 2. The attitude of obedience – ‘with fear and trembling’
 - B. Dependence on God – divine sovereignty (v. 13)
 1. The “who” of divine sovereignty
 2. The “where” of divine sovereignty
 3. The “what” of divine sovereignty
 - a. To will
 - b. To do
 4. The “why” of divine sovereignty
- II. The practice of unity (v. 14)
 - Do all things...
 - A. Without murmuring
 - B. Without disputing
- III. The purpose of unity (vv. 15-16)
 - A. The purpose in the present (v. 15)
 1. Pure sons of God...
 - a. Blameless
 - b. Harmless
 - c. Without rebuke
 2. For the purpose of our testimony in the world.
 - a. In a crooked and perverse generation...
 - b. Where we shine as lights.
 - B. The purpose for the future (v. 16)
 1. The practice of the race
 2. The point of the race
- IV. The product of unity (vv. 17-18)
 - A. The basis for joy (v. 17)
 - B. The fellowship of joy (v. 18)