



**Title: This Summer I Am Going To \_\_\_\_\_. Have A Sense of Purpose.**

**Scripture: Philippians 2:12-17**

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**Bible Version: NKJV**

**BOTTOM LINE: Don't settle for an existence that is tied to your house, job, or church. Your existence is defined by your relationship with Jesus.**

**To discover your calling you have to take initiative.**

1. Explore your call from God

**A calling is a customized purpose that God has given you, that only you can do.**

2. Discover your personal call.

**Vs. 12**

**Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed-** There is an expectation that once you begin to follow Christ, that you will obey Him

**Work out** - To work in such a way to see evidence in your own life.

**Your own salvation** - This should not be confused for work for your salvation.

**With fear and trembling** - This means to give real thought to what God is doing in your live.

**Vs. 13**

**For it is God who works in you** - Paul gives us the answer as to why we should work out our salvation.

**For His good pleasure** - God works out our salvation for His good pleasure.

**God cares less about our happiness and more about our holiness.**

**Vs. 14**

**Complaining and disputing** - God knows our heart.

**Vs. 15**

**That you may become blameless and harmless** - This is the goal.

**The way you live your life as a Christian may be the only representation of Christ that someone has.**

**Shine as lights in the world** - Having a trust in God's plans and God's ways gives us a joy that is truly a light in our dark world.

**What is the purpose of a light:**

1. To guide.
2. To keep safe.
3. To illuminate.
4. To mark.
5. To warm.

**Vs. 16-17**

**Holding fast the word of life** - Devoted followers hold fast to the word of life.

**Your purpose isn't wrapped up in what a piece of paper says, or what others think. Your purpose is attached to your identity in Christ.**

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Discuss

Dig Deeper



This Summer I Am Going T\_\_\_\_\_?  
Philippians 2:12-17

# 3D Guide

**DO.**

**BOTTOM LINE: We love because He first loved us, and the love we show others is evidence we are truly Jesus' disciples.**



Anytime you read God's word you have to put things into perspective. You also have to realize that the terms, not words, have meanings. As a group re-read the scriptures that was studied. Try the Amplified Version and compare that to the NJKV, NIV, ESV, or NASB. Pick a few words and have a group member look that word up on [blueletterbible.com](http://blueletterbible.com) or with their app.



## DISCUSS.

1. What does it mean to work out your salvation? What does this look like practically in your life?
2. Compare and contrast doing something for yourself and for God's good pleasure. Is there a difference? Can they both be the same?
3. What things can we do practically to remember that our purpose is found in Christ and in nothing else?

## DO.



1. What does this study reveal to you about God?
2. What does this study reveal to you about yourself?
3. Based on this, what changes do you need to make?
4. What is your prayer for today?

