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PHILIPPIANS #JOY in working out

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, ¹³ for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure. ¹⁴ Do all things without grumbling or disputing, ¹⁵ that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, ¹⁶ holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. ¹⁷ Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. ¹⁸ Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

~ Philippians 2:12-17

EIGHT PRINCIPALS TO WORK OUT OUR SALVATION:

We must always remember that salvation has three dimensions: <u>Past, Present, and Future.</u>

1. SALVATION IS A FREE GIFT FROM GOD

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not of works, lest anyone should boast. ~ Ephesians 2:8-9

2. SALVATION IS WORKING OUT TO BECOME LIKE JESUS

Memory Verse:

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. ~ Philippians 2:12

But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ~ 1 Corinthians 15:10

a) We are to work out our salvation by...

- Living in obedience to God's word,
- Living in unity with our neighbors
- Living a life of sacrifice
- Living by faith not sight

What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you. ~ Philippians 4:9

3. OUR SALVATION ISN'T COMPLETE UNTIL WE RECEIVE OUR GLORIFIED BODIES

They "will be like Him, because [they] will see Him just as He is" ~ 1 John 3:2

4. WE ARE TO WORK OUT OUR SALVATION WITH FEAR AND TREMBLING

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation <u>with fear and</u> <u>trembling.</u> ~ Philippians 2:12b

5. WHILE WE ARE WORKING "OUT," GOD IS WORKING "IN"

For it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure. ~ Philippians 2:13

Being confident of this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ. ~ Philippians 1:6

6. WE ARE TO HAVE A POSITIVE TESTIMONY

- In what we say
- In what we do

"Do all things without complaining and disputing, 15 that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world," ~Philippians 2:14-15

You are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read by all men; 3 clearly you are an epistle of Christ, ministered by us, written not with ink but by the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of flesh, that is, of the heart." ~ 2 Corinthians 3:2-3

7. WE ARE TO ENGAGE GOD'S WORD EVERY DAY

"Holding fast the word of life, so that I may rejoice in the day of Christ that I have not run in vain or labored in vain." **Philippians 2:16**

8. WE SERVE GOD BY SERVING OTHERS

"Yes, and if I am being poured out as a drink offering on the sacrifice and service of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. 18 For the same reason you also be glad and rejoice with me." ~ Philippians 2:17-18

Next Steps:

- Becomes a follower of Jesus
- Memorize Philippians 2:12
- Fill out your digital connect card online
- Give your offering online
- Join us Monday for Outdoor Prayer & Worship