

# Seventeen Reasons for Fact-Based Joy: A Study In Philippians

## *Reason 9: The Joy of Working Out Salvation*

Philippians 2:12–18

The Lord's Day Morning

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The ninth reason on which our joy is based is found in the process of working out our salvation. While our salvation is a free gift of God's grace that is earned for us by Christ, we are still responsible to obey Christ and do good work. Paul tells the Philippians to "work out" their salvation, not to "work for" their salvation. And the life-long process of working that salvation out, produces joy in us and others. We work out our salvation by spending much effort on these three goals:

1. Protecting the \_\_\_\_\_ of God's \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Guarding my \_\_\_\_\_ in a morally confused  
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3. Leaving a \_\_\_\_\_ of God-glorifying  
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