

Philippians 2:12–18
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FINDING
OUR PLACE
PHILIPPIANS

Gospel Growing

Theme

Put it in gear and go!

Structure:

Identity

Exhortation (1:27–2:5)

Example... Jesus (2:6-11)

Exhortation (2:12-18)

Examples ...T. & E. (2:19-30)

Harold W. Hoehner, Philip W. Comfort, and Peter H. Davids,
*Cornerstone Biblical Commentary: Ephesians, Philippians,
Colossians, 1&2 Thessalonians, Philemon.*, vol. 16 (Carol Stream, IL:
Tyndale House Publishers, 2008), 182.

Philippians 2:12 (ESV)

12 ... work out your own salvation with
fear and trembling

Salvation =

1. **By Grace Alone,**
2. **Through Faith alone,**
3. **In Christ Alone,**
4. **According to Scripture Alone,**
5. **For the Glory of God alone**

Ephesians 2:8-9 (ESV)

⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Philippians 2:12-13 (ESV)

¹² 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.

Ephesians 2:8-10 (ESV)

⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Consistent

1. Wording
2. Context
3. Concept

Philippians 2:15 (ESV)

14 Do ALL things without grumbling or disputing...

1 Corinthians 10:11 (ESV)

¹¹ ... these things happened to them as an example, but they were written down for our instruction...

Exodus 16:2 (ESV)

² And the whole congregation of the people of Israel grumbled against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness

Numbers 11:33 (ESV)

Quail and a Plague

[God sent quail]... ³³ While the meat was yet between their teeth, before it was consumed, the anger of the LORD was kindled against the people, and the LORD struck down the people with a very great plague.

Numbers 21:4-6 (ESV)

The Bronze Serpent

⁴ ... the people became impatient on the way. ⁵ And the people spoke against God and against Moses, *“Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no*

Numbers 21:4-6 (ESV)

*water, and we loathe this worthless food.”*⁶ Then the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many people of Israel died.

Grumbling

1. Disrupts the progress in your spiritual life
2. Disrupts the unity and harmony of the church
3. Destroys the testimony to the outer world

Philippians 2:14-18 (ESV)

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...

Philippians 2:14-18 (ESV)

17 Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, [don't grumble] I am glad and rejoice with you all.

18 Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

Philippians 2:17-18 (ESV)

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.



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