

Fall into Joy - Sacrifice- Philippians 2:12-18

A. I need to heed Paul's _____ and _____ my salvation - **Philippians 2:12-13** - *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.*

1. Its basis – _____
 - a. Therefore – Refers back to the great sacrifice and obedience of Jesus Christ just mentioned – **Philippians 2:6-11**
 - b. My beloved – Christians, loved tenderly by Paul – **Romans 1:7**
2. Its comparison – _____
 - a. Just as always at all times – complete obedience
 - b. Obeyed – Lit. “to hear and submit (Greek “hypokouo”)
 - c. In my presence – See **Acts 16:14, 32 & 34**
 - d. Past track record causes present expectation
3. Its substance – _____
 - a. Speaking to the whole church
 - b. To demonstrate, bring to full completion, reach its full potential (Grk. “katergazeo”) -- Commanded to this continually – See **Philippians 1:6**
 - c. One's own salvation – Present aspect of salvation called sanctification – **1 Cor. 1:18 & Phil. 2:1-4**
 - d. With fear and trembling - reverence and quivering – (**1 Peter 1:15-18 & Eph. 5:21**)
4. Its motivation – _____
 - a. But now – Strongest contrast
 - b. Much more – to a greater degree
 - c. In my absence – While Paul is in prison
 - d. This show sincerity of faith – if they need Paul to stand over them then something would be wrong.
5. It's rational - _____
 - a. For – tells why we tremble and why we work out our salvation

- b. God is the one working – (Grk. “energon”) – work mightily, effectively – get our word energy from – He is the Great Energizer – **Eph. 2:10** - He does it continually
- c. In/among you – See **2 Cor. 6:16**
- d. For the sake of his good pleasure/well pleasing (Grk. “eudokias”)

B. I need to heed Paul's _____ and _____ in my world – **Philippians 2:14a-16a** - 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

1. The admonition – _____
 - a. Lit. “all things continually do”
 - b. Apart from or without
 - c. Grumbling - Complaint expressed in secret talk (Grk. “goggusmos”) – **Acts 6:1 and 1 Peter 4:9 and 1 Corinthians 10:10**
 - d. Disputing – Disputes or arguments (Grk. “dialogismos”)
 - e. Murmurings against God, disputes with one another – **Phil. 4:2**
2. The advantage – _____
 - a) The why
 - 1) In order that you might be or become
 - 2) Children belonging to God - We bear the family resemblance
 - 3) Faultless, above accusations or blame (Grk. “amemptoi”)– Found on tombs – **Col. 3:10 and Eph. 4:24**
 - 4) Innocent - Undiluted, unmixed (Grk. “akerios”) – Used of unalloyed metals – **Matt. 10:16**
 - 5) Without spot or blemish (Grk. “amoma”)
 - 6) See **Phil. 2:3** – strife and vainglory
 - b) The where
 - 1) In the midst, middle – See **John 17:15**
 - 2) The generation or society – Philippi and the world of the day
 - 3) Crooked – curved, bent, thus unjust (Grk. “skolias”)
 - 4) Twisted – Distorted, twisted (Grk. “diestammenenes”)
 - 3) Lit. “as lights in the world” – As light giving bodies or lanterns or torches in the cosmos – See **2 Corinthians 4:6-7**

3. The activity – _____

a. Lit. “holding fast” – “Offering something to drink at a banquet”

b. The word which is life

c. The life-giving word – **John 6:68** – See **John 1:1-5**

C. I need to heed Paul’s _____ and _____ myself to God –

Philippians 2:16b-18 -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.

1. His desire – _____

a. So that – The Goal

b. I may rejoice or boast

c. Unto the day of Christ – **1:10 and 2 Cor. 5:10**

d. That I have not run fruitlessly (Athlete)

e. Neither labored fruitlessly (Workman) - **1 Cor. 15:58 & Matt. 25:21**

2. His description – _____

a. But – In contrast to running or working

b. To be poured out as a libation offering, poured out **Num. 15:1-10 and 2 Timothy 4:6** (Grk. “sphenomai”)

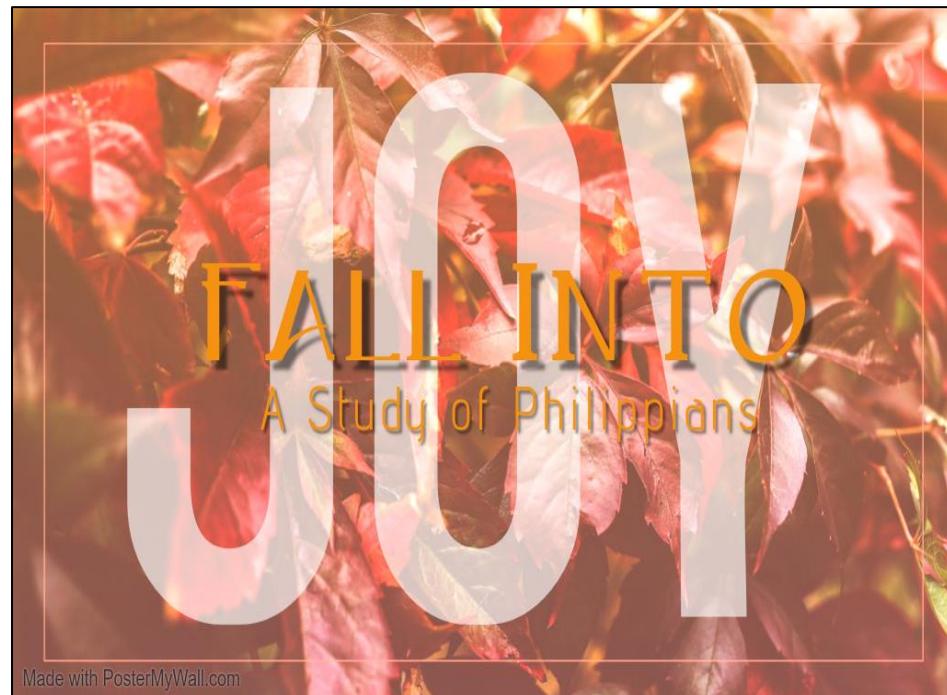
c. Produced by the sacrifice and service of your faith – Their priestly activities of prayer and giving with reference to Paul by faith cause his sacrifice - **Hebrews 13:15-16**

3. His demand – _____

a. I am glad

b. And you rejoice with me – **Phil. 2:25 and 30**

So...What’s it to me



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