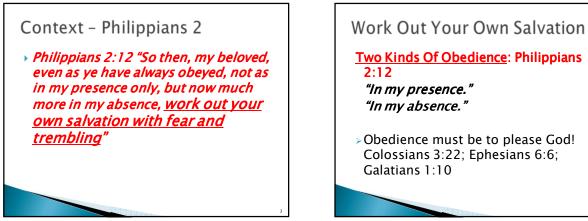
## Work Out Your Own Salvation Philippians 2:12-18

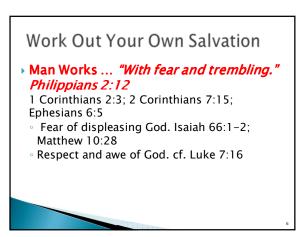
#### Context - Philippians 2

- Unity Verses 1–2
- Attitude Verses 3–4
- Example of Christ Verses 5–11



# Two Kinds Of Obedience: Philippians > Obedience must be to please God! Colossians 3:22; Ephesians 6:6;

### Work Out Your Own Salvation Man works. "Work out your own ... " Philippians 2:12 "What must we do?" • "Save yourselves ..." Acts 2:40 • "Go into the city ..." Acts 22:10 • "Believe on the Lord Jesus ..." Acts 16:31 • "For if ye do these things ..." 2 Peter 1:10



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## <u>God Works</u> ... *"For it is God who worketh in you ..." Philippians 2:13*

- He began a good work. Philippians 1:6
- Beginning of the church in Philippi. Acts 16
- $^\circ$  Provides life to the dead. Ephesians 1:5; Romans 6:3-4

When one with reverence and awe obeys, God works in him.

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- Examples:
- Fall of Jericho. Joshua 6
- Naaman. 2 Kings 5
- Blind man. John 9
- Forgiveness. Luke 23:34; cf. Acts 2:40

#### Work Out Your Own Salvation *"without murmurings and questionings." Philippians 2:14* Downfall of Israel. 1 Corinthians 10:7-

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- Numbers 14:1ff, 29 Would not go in.
- Numbers 16:41ff Rebellion of Korah.
- Numbers 21:6ff Fiery serpents.

#### Work Out Your Own Salvation *"that ye may become ..." Philippians* 2:15; cf. Malachi 1:13 *Blameless:* "Deserving no censure ... free from fault or defect" (Thayer) cf. Luke 1:6

- <u>Harmless</u>: Pure, untainted, free from guile, innocent. "That which is in its original state ... moral innocence." (TDNT Kettel) cf. Matthew 10:16: Romans 16:19
- <u>Without blemish</u>: free from fault ... as the blood of Christ. cf. 1 Peter 1:19; Ephesians 1:4; 5:27

#### Work Out Your Own Salvation "in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation." Philippians 2:15 • Must be separate from the world. • Corinthians 6:14–18; Romans 12:1–2 • Change the way you live. cf. Ephesians, colossians, and Romans 6 • Cannot "isolate" ourselves from the world. cf. John 17:15,18; 1 Corinthians 5:9–11 • Elijah. 1 Kings 19 • Jeremiah. Jeremiah 9:2

#### Work Out Your Own Salvation "among whom ye are seen as lights in the world." Philippians 2:15 Value of light is "SEEN." You use of light is "SEEN." Dispels darkness. cf. Matthew 5:13-16 Dispels darkness. cf. Matthew 5:13-16 In Jesus. John 1:4; 8:12; 9:5; 12:46 You are children of light! Ephesians 5:8; Peter 4:3-4

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## *"Holding forth (holding fast) the word of life." Philippians 2:16*

- It is for Christians to hold it out, to hold on to it. cf. Titus 2:10
- The embodiment of the word in the life of the Christian ... the character being formed and the practiced. cf. Galatians 2:20
- God be glorified. Matthew 5:13-16

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- "Make full my joy ..." Philippians 2:2
- "I joy and rejoice with you all ..." Philippians 2:17-18