



**TITLE** | Put It Into Practice  
**SERIES** | Building a Better Church  
**TEXT** | Philippians 2:12-18  
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## SERMON NOTES

2:12-18 <sup>12</sup> Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; <sup>13</sup> for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure. <sup>14</sup> Do all things without complaining and disputing <sup>15</sup> 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, <sup>16</sup> 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. <sup>17</sup> 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. <sup>18</sup> For the same reason you also be glad and rejoice with me. *NKJV*

### BIG IDEA:

Text questions during the sermon: 623-850-8809

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## For Reflection and Application:

Monday:

Our text says that we are to, “work out” our salvation. Does this contradict other biblical passages regarding salvation, such as Ephesians 2:8-9? (**For by grace are you saved, through faith...not of works, it is the gift of God.**) Why or why not? If not, what does this phrase mean?

Tuesday:

Paul tells us we should do all things, “without complaining and disputing.” What do you think he meant by that? How can we, as believers, put this phrase into practice in our lives and in our church?

Wednesday:

In John, Jesus said that He is the light of the world, in Matthew 5 He tells us we are the light of the world and in Philippians Paul tells us to shine as lights in the darkness. Are there areas of your life where you shine? Are there areas where you don't shine? How can you turn on your light in those areas?

Thursday:

We found in our passage that we should Put Into Practice love, unity, humility and sacrifice with sincerity; we should love everyone, irrespective of who they are or what they've done. How can we balance the many biblical commands to love others with scriptural prohibitions against certain lifestyles and choices?

Friday:

Take today to contemplate the outcome of the love, unity, humility and sacrifice we show for each other and our community – a sense of joy and contentment. Remember to thank our Father for the opportunities we have to Bring the Life of His Son to a sin-darkened world.

**Daily Prayer:**

**Jesus, thank you for your example of love, unity, humility and sacrifice. I ask that you would remind me to follow your example and put into practice these four traits. I pray that you bring others into my life that I can love and sacrifice for.**