

# Philippians

EUAGGELLION “Good News”

Phil. 1:5,7,12,16,27; 2:22; 4:3,15  
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## **Greeting 1:1-11**

## **Paul’s Viewpoint of His Circumstances 1:12-26**

Present Priority & Advancement of the Gospel

Future Priority & Advancement of the Gospel

## **Paul’s Viewpoint of the Philippian Circumstances 1:27-2:18**

An Appeal to Gospel Mentality in face of Opposition 1:27-30

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The Outworking of Christ-Like Mentality 2:12-18

# ..work out your salvation with fear and trembling

meta»fobou kai»tromou thn eautwn swthrian katergazetesqe:

“with respect and excitement / exhilaration ”...

*salvation* HE SOTERIA the salvation

*your* HEAUTOS reflexive prn. of your own

*work out*

pres middle voice imperative (command)

KATA (fully) + ERGOS (work, result) + IZO (to cause, make, do)

2716. **κατεργάζομαι katergazomai**; from 2596 and 2038; to work out: —accomplished(1), brings about(2), carried out(1), committed(1), committing(1), does(1), doing(4), done(1), effecting(1), performed(1), prepared(1), produced(2), produces(2), producing(2), work out(1).

## Continue fully effecting yourselves the salvation of yourselves

- 1 (QTY) amount of effort ?
- 2 (QLTY) complete conformity & subordination to God’s program

**FAITH + WORD + PRESSURE + TIME**

Phil. 2:13a ... *for it is God who is at work in you* ...

qeou gar estin oJenergwn en uJin

*for* GAR to explain further what came before

*God* THEOS

*it is* EIMI pres act ind 3 sg; to exist

*who is at work* pres part  
emphasize durative sense of construction  
EN (effectual) + ERGEO (to work, result)

*in you* EN (in) HUMEIS (you(s))

location, or realm of God's ongoing work & results

***“The one effecting results in you IS God” explains vs. 12***

\*Rom 6:13; 8:14,28-30; Heb. 13:20-21, 1Cor. 12:6; Eph. 2:9-10; 1Th. 2:13; 2Tim. 3:16-17

Phil. 2:13b *...both to will and to work for His good pleasure.*

kai«to\qel-ein kai«to\energein upe«r th« eudokia«.

*both*

KAI and, even, also

*to will* →

TO THELO infinitive the state of willing,  
wanting, desiring (internally)

*and*

KAI and, even, also

*to work* →

TO ENERGEIO the state of effectively working,  
resulting, producing effect  
(externally)

*for*

HYPHER for, in behalf of, for the sake or

*His good pleasure.*

HE EUDOKIA  
the good pleasure  
that good pleasure

Phil. 2:14 *Do all things without grumbling or disputing*

Πάντα ποιεῖτε χωρὶς γογγυσμῶν καὶ διαλογισμῶν

*all things* PAS - *acc n.s.* all (things, stuff)

Continue *Doing* POIEO - *pres act impv* to do, make, create

*without* CHORIS - *prep* without, infinite space between  
two points

*grumbling* GOGGUSMOS - *gen m.s.* grumble, mumur

*\*John 7:12; Acts 6:1; Phil. 2:14; 1Pet. 4:9*

**onomatopoeic:** *'the formation of names or words from sounds that resemble those associated with the object or action to be named, or those associated with the object or action to be named, or that seem suggestive of its qualities: atishoo, babble, cuckoo, croak, ping-pong, sizzle'*

*or* KAI - *conj* and

*disputing* DIALOGISMOS - *gen m.s.* speculation, dialogue, discussion  
(almost always w/o DVP)

*\*Psa. 36:4; 56:5; Mark 11:31; Luke 3:15; 9:47; 24:38*

Phil. 2:15a ... so that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, ...

ἵνα γενήσθε ἀμemptoi καὶ ἀκέραιοι,

so that

HINA - marks purpose or result

you will prove yourselves to be

to become, to change  
GINOMAI aor m/p



blameless

\*Job 1:1; Gen. 17:1; Luke 1:6; Phil. 2:15; 3:6; 1Th. 2:10; 3:13; 5:23; Heb. 8:7

**ἀ-μεμπτος**, ον, (μεμφομαι) *not to be blamed, blameless*, Eur., Dem.; ἀμεμπτος χρόνου *in regard of time*, Aesch.

2. of things, *perfect in its kind*, Xen.; ἀμ. ἐκείνη *without blame* to her, Plut.; Comp. ἀμεμπτότερος, *less blame-worthy*, Id.;—Adv. -τως, *so as to merit no blame, right well*, Soph., Xen.

and

II. act. *not blaming, content*, ἀμεμπτόν τινα ποιεῖσθαι Xen.;—so Adv., ἀμεμπτως δέχεσθαι τινα *without censure*, Id.

innocent

\*Matt. 10:16; Rom. 16:19; Phil. 2:15

\_\_\_\_\_ of what ??

**ἀ-κέραιος**, ον, = the poet. ἀκήρατος, *unmixed, pure in blood*, Eur.

II. *entire, unharmed, unravaged*, of cities or countries, Hdt., Thuc.; ἀκ. δύναμις *an army in full force*, Id.; ἀκ. λέχος *inviolate*, Eur.; of persons, *uncontaminated, guileless*, Id.; c. gen., ἀκέραιος κακῶν ἥθῶν *uncontaminated by bad habits*, Plat.

Phil. 2:15b ... *children of God above reproach* ...

tekna qeouva~~φ~~wma

*children*

TEKNA - children/nature/quality/character  
*emphasis on our character, not identity*

*of God*

*above reproach*

AMOMA - *adj* A(not) + MOMA (spot,blemish)

\*2Cor. 6:3; Eph. 5:27; Col. 1:22

descriptive of believers

*Phil. 2:15c* *in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation*

meson geneaß skol iaß kai«diestrammeñhß,

*in the midst of* MESON - in middle of

*\*Matt. 10:16; 13:25,49; 14:6*

*a ... generation* GENA - generation, begatting, race

*crooked* SKOLIA - crooked, not straight

*Deut. 32:5; Psa. 77:8; Luke 3:5; Acts 2:40; Phil. 2:15; 1Pet. 2:18*

*and*

*perverse* DIESTRAMO -

*Deut. 32:5; Matt. 17:17; Luke 9:41; Phil. 2:15*



*Phil. 2:15d* ...*among whom you appear as lights in the world...*  
en oiß fairnesqe wß fwsthveß en košmw,

*among* EN - in, within

*whom* HOS *dat pl relative prn* - whom (the crooked and perverse generation)

*you appear* → PHAINO - *pres m/p* to shine, to exist illuminated

*as lights* PHWSTER - places, points of light, luminary, illuminator, what gives light (not source of light)  
*Gen. 1:14,16; Dan. 12:3; Phil. 2:15; Rev. 21:11*

*in the world* KOSMOS - inhabited world, world system

What is the purpose of Christians ? Why am I still alive ?

Commanded to be Light Why take Christians to heaven instantly ?

# Light in the World

*Reflected light, not sources of light*

*Acts 13:46-47 "For so the Lord has commanded us,  
'I HAVE PLACED YOU AS A LIGHT FOR THE GENTILES,  
THAT YOU MAY BRING SALVATION TO THE END OF THE EARTH.'"*

*2Cor. 4:6 For God, who said, "Light shall shine out of darkness," is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the Light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.*

*Eph. 3:8-9-10 and to bring to light what is the administration of the mystery which for ages has been hidden in God who created all things;*

*Eph. 5:7-9-10 (for the fruit of the Light consists in all goodness and righteousness and truth),*

*Phil. 2:15 so that you will prove yourselves to be blameless and innocent, children of God above reproach in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you appear as lights in the world,*

*Col. 1:12 giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light.*

*1Th. 5:5 for you are all sons of light and sons of day. We are not of night nor of darkness;*

*1John 1:7 but if we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.*

*1John 2:10 The one who loves his brother abides in the Light and there is no cause for stumbling in him.*

*1Pet. 2:9-10 But you are A CHOSEN RACE, A royal PRIESTHOOD, A HOLY NATION, A PEOPLE FOR God's OWN POSSESSION, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;*

# Great Commission

"The Apostolic Commission"  
is not Matt. 28:18-19

but rather 1Pet. 2:9-10, (2Cor. 5:20, Phil. 2:14-16)

*The entire concept of missionaries comes from one verse spoken to the disciples. The disciples never passed on the same directives, yet today we claim dispensational approach. No NT writer ever exhorts missionary work.*

*No place in the new testament describes nor commands missionary activities nor priorities as currently practiced by modern day churches.*

# God Kingdom on Earth ?

social work, do-gooders ?

feed the poor, heal the sick, clothe the needy ?

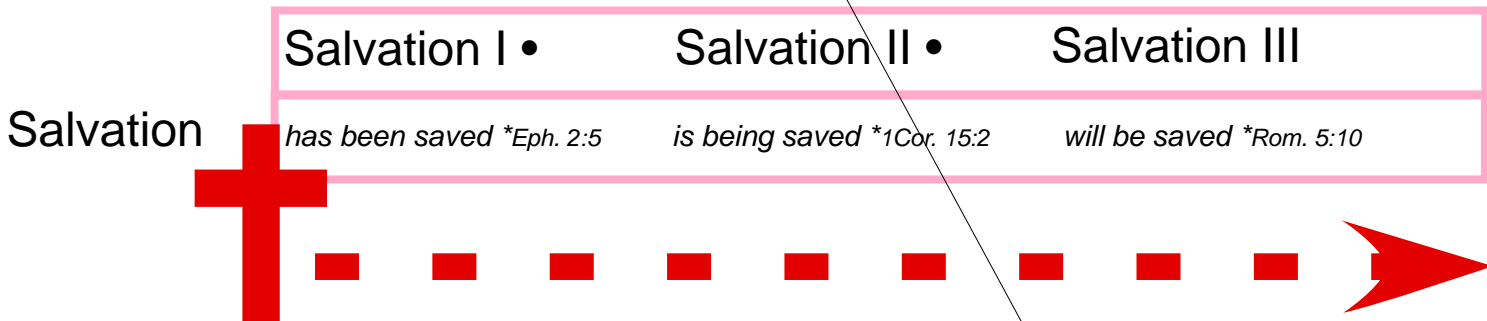
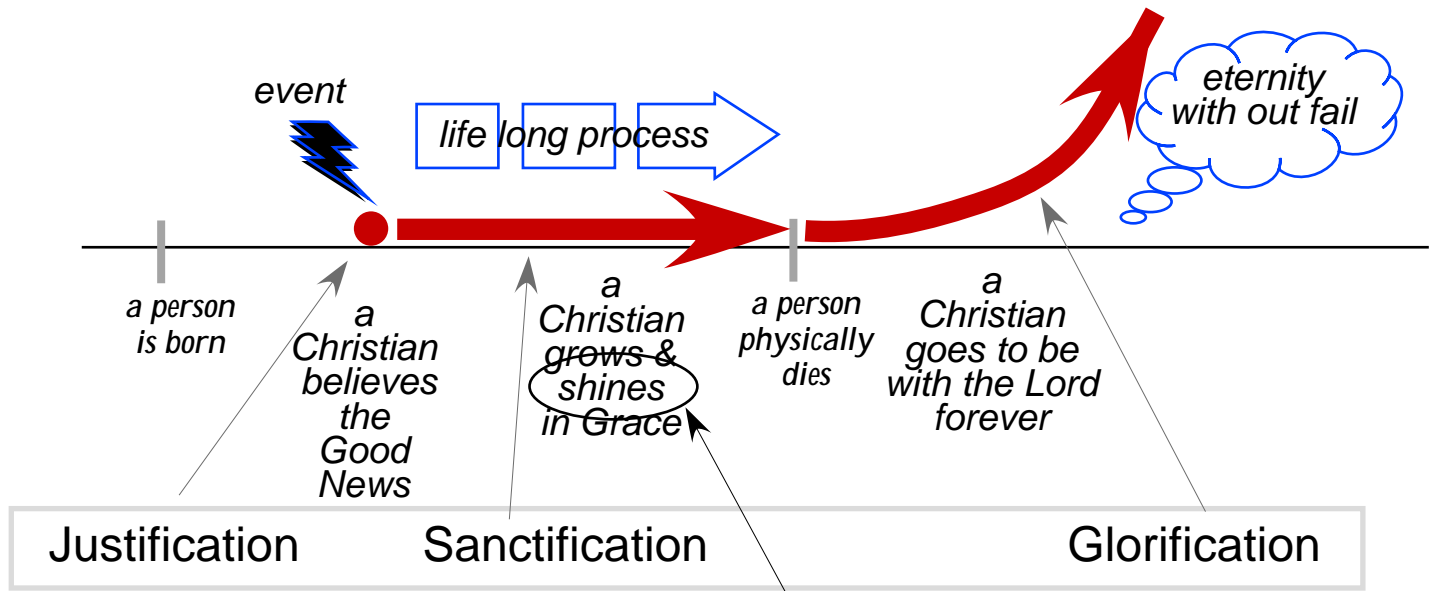
to bring theocracy to our country ?

# To Earn our way to Heaven ?

Performance Christianity to earn greater rewards in heaven ?

Human effort to gain merit with God ?

To confirm our character to enter heaven ?



Salvation is the eternal endeavor of God for believers.

**It is the ongoing perpetual result of the Cross of JC for Christians.**

Phil. 2:14-16

Phil. 2:16a ... *holding fast the word of life, ...*

λογον ζωῆς εἰπεῖν τε β

*the word*

LOGOS - (the) word/nature/character/quality

*of life*

ZOE - life, that eternal life obtained by believing the Word

*holding fast*  


ECHO - to hold, have part completes or helps the meaning of the main verb "Shine"

1Pet. 1:22-2:3

*Interaction and agreement*

*(harmony of thinking, understanding, & action)*

*with God's Word effects our reflected light in the world of God who is The Light*

**METHODOLOGY OF SHINING FORTH LIGHT IN THE WORLD**

The Outworking of Christ-Like Mentality 2:12-18

Phil. 2:16b *so that in the day of Christ I will have reason to glory*  
ειῖς καυχῆμα ἐμοὶ «ειῖς ἡμεῖς ἀν Χριστοῦ

*so that* EIS - to explain further what came before

~~*will have reason to glory*~~ KAUCHMA - boasting, pride

*I* EGO - to me/in me/by me

*in* EIS - unto, toward

~~*the day of Christ*~~

Phil. 2:16c *because I did not run in vain nor toil in vain.*

οτι ουκ ειβ kenon εδραμον ουδε «ειβ kenon ekopiasa.

*because* OTI - result

*not*

*in vain*

*I did ... run* DRECHO - to run (picture of Christian service)



*nor*

*in vain*

*toil*