



Life Guide

applying God's Word to life

There is Still Work to Do October 10-12, 2020

¹² Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, ¹³ for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.

¹⁴ Do everything without grumbling or arguing, ¹⁵ so that you may become blameless and pure, “children of God without fault in a warped and crooked generation.”^[a] Then you will shine among them like stars in the sky ¹⁶ as you hold firmly to the word of life. And then I will be able to boast on the day of Christ that I did not run or labor in vain.

1. What is your favorite memory from Mount Olive’s 2018 Building Project?
2. For what does Paul commend the Philippians in verse 12?
3. Paul's encouragement to “work out your salvation with fear and trembling” can be easily misunderstood. What does it not mean?
4. What does this verse (12b) mean? (hint: Is Paul referring to justification or sanctification?)

5. About what should we be afraid and tremble in connection with our salvation?

6. According to v. 13, where do we get the desire and the ability to please God?

7. What comfort do you find in vv. 12-13?

8. What warning do you find in vv. 12-13?

9. In v. 14-15, Paul refers to the Christian's life of sanctification (being set apart for Godly living). What is to characterize the Christian’s actions?

10. What purpose will the Philippians’ lives serve for Paul on the Last Day? (v. 16)

11. In v. 17, what point is Paul making with his reference to a drink offering?

12. What will you “take home” from this text/sermon?