

## Motives for Godly Living

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### Introduction

1. Philippians 2:12-16
2. The purpose for this lesson is to move us to be diligent about working out our salvation
3. The Bible uses the word salvation in two ways
  1. Used to mean salvation from past sins Mark 16:16; Luke 24:47
  2. Eternal salvation 1 Peter 1:9
4. Both of these salvations are conditional
  1. Acts 2:40 Peter implies that it is conditional
  2. 2 Peter 1:10 Peter states that it is conditional
5. What Paul is dealing with here is a lack of knowledge James 4:17 which shows up as a last of motivation
6. So what does it mean to Work out our salvation

### II Discussion

1. What does it mean to work our out salvation
  1. What work is involved
    1. There is God's side Ephesians 2:8-10
    2. There is man's side John 6:29; Hebrews 11
    3. Living the Christ life over a span of many years takes steadfastness, self-control, and faith of the strongest kind.
  2. What does fear and trembling mean
    1. Fear can mean different things. It can mean slavish terror or eagerness not to fail
    2. Boy does not want to hurt the feelings of one he is trying to impress
  3. Do we murmur about what we do?
    1. As they did in 1 Corinthians 10:10; Exodus 16:2; Numbers 14:2, 27, 29
2. What kind of world do we live in
  1. What is a crooked and perverse nation
    1. Crooked is opposite to straight
    2. Perverse is to distort, twist, to turn to one said Acts 13:8-10
  2. What do these words mean
    1. Blameless Titus 1:7; 2 Timothy 3:2; Proverbs 22:1; 1 Peter 2:12
    2. Harmless Romans 16:19; unmixed
  3. How do we shine during this time
    1. We are to shine as the stars of heaven reflect the Light of the World
    2. We do this by proclaiming God's Word Matthew 29:19-20; 2 Timothy 4:2; John 6:44-45
3. What is the day of the Lord
  1. Judgment Day 2 Peter 3:10; 1 Thessalonians 5:2 Acts 17:30-31
  2. We will all be there 2 Corinthians 5:10; Matthew 25:32
  3. He is ready to judge 1 Peter 4:5

### III Conclusion

1. To be saved from this crooked and perversed world we must have salvation of God
2. Are we willing to accept the saving grace of God?
3. Are we willing to work our our own salvation
4. Now is the time to start 2 Corinthians 6:2

Sources Reason to Rejoice by Tom Holland