# Work out your own salvation

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Introduction
1. Text Philippians  2:12
2. This verse is the secret of all the joy in this epistle
3. This verse in a continuance of obedience 1:27; 2:8 The "Wherefore" or "So then" NKJV
4. In the church at Philippi, Paul's words as spoken in Christ's name had aroused them to a diligent effort to put time into practice
5. In this passage we find commandments, conviction and commitment.
6. Let us study these.

II Discussion
1. Commandments are to be obeyed
   a. They has obeyed, "as ye have always obeyed"
   b. Work out means to work to completion.  We must work out our salvation until it is completed
   c. This is not earned salvation but works that must be completed John 6:28-29; Ephesians 2:8-10; Titus 3:5
   d. The "wherefore" is a conclusion drawn on the preceding paragraph notice vs 8 Christ became obedient to the cross we become obedient vs 12
   e. We must then obey Hebrews 5:8-9; Romans 2:8; Galatians 3:1; 5:7; 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9 obey not; 1 Peter 4:17
2. There are convictions that come about because of these commands
   a. There is an attitude in obeying these commands Isaiah 66:2
   b. Fear is used by Paul and has to do with obedience 1 Corinthians 2:3; 2 Corinthians 7:15; Ephesians 6:5
   c. This fear is not just the fear of God but the greatness of the task and the possibility of failure 1 Corinthians 10:12; Hebrews 2:1-3
   d. I must obey God at all cost. Luke 14:28-33
3. There are commitments then because of the convictions
   a. These commands are personal 2 Corinthians 5:10-11
   b. We must live righteously Titus 2:11-12
   c. I have a commitment to them Romans 14:23
   d. No one can make laws where God did not make laws. Galatians 5:1; 1 Corinthians 6:12; 10:23
   e. No can lose where God did not lose.

III Conclusion
1. We must work out our salvation – no one can do that for us.
2. Are you working or idle?
3. Are you working or playing?
4. Now is the time to work! Obey

Source: Getwell lecture on Phil and Romans; Bobby Gayton's notes on Philippians