

Phil 2:12-18

¹² My beloved, as a result of the things just written, carry out to its ultimate conclusion your own salvation, with an attitude of fear and trembling, just as you have always obeyed, not only in my presence but now much more in my absence; ¹³ the reason you should do this is because God is the one effectively working in you in order that you will both have the determination and take effective action with regard to God's chosen purpose. ¹⁴ Do everything (as you work out your salvation) without grumbling or quarrelling, ¹⁵ in order that you will be blameless and pure, in other words, you will be perfect children of God in the middle of a wicked and perverse generation, in which you shine like stars in the sky, ¹⁶ being blameless and pure by holding onto the Word of Truth, so that you will be my pride in the day of Christ, because I did not run for nothing or labor for nothing. ¹⁷ But even if I am being poured out (as a drink offering) in addition to the sacrificial service of your faith, I rejoice and rejoice with you all; ¹⁸ in the same way, you all should rejoice and rejoice with me.