

## GOD'S SOVEREIGNTY/HUMAN RESPONSIBILITY

Philippians 2.12-14

### WORK OUT OUR SALVATION?

**We are not what we ought to be,  
nor are we what we will be some day.  
But by God's grace we are not what we used to be!**

Firstly, we can be thankful for what God has already done for us as believers. But he is also not done with us. Now, because we are alive in Christ, we have the power to work out and exercise what He has put in us.

Paul does *not* say to "work *for*" salvation, but to work "*out*" your salvation. *Your* salvation, as in, a salvation you already have.

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It is important to see that it is God who works *first*. He has the plan, He creates, enacts, and first produces the muscle. He loves first, not us. That said...

**God's work does not exclude your action,  
it empowers your action.**

1 John 4.19 // Hebrews 13.20, 21 // 1 Corinthians 15.10 // Galatians 3.5

**God is 100% responsible for His work of empowering grace.  
You are 100% responsible to respond to that empowering grace.**

### TRUSTING GOD MEANS ENTRUSTING TO HIS WAYS

Trusting God does not just mean trusting His character and who He is, but also trusting His ways. Entrusting ourselves to His instructions and commands.

**God's sovereignty is NOT separated from His ways.**

John 15.16

God calls upon us and commands us to trust in His revealed will and desires for His glory as we exercise our trust in Him. He wants us to be *part of* the miracle we are seeking. The good news for us who are weak, is that God has already put in us what we need, and He gives us the power through the Spirit to work out the faith He has given. As we keep our eyes on Christ, the awe, fear, and wonder of His beauty will continually motivate us to entrust ourselves to our faithful Creator.



## NOTES:

### This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

**1 Corinthians 15:3-4**

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures,

### Will You Pray With Us?

Follow along with our daily prayer requests by downloading the **PrayerMate App**, available on both **iOS** and **Android** phones. Go to our website for detailed instructions on how to subscribe to the app to be praying with us daily, as well as reading through our **2 Year Bible Reading Plan**.

## ARE YOU NEW HERE?

### WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION CHURCH!

We'd LOVE for you to fill out the green **Connection Card** on your seat to let us know you were here today. You can drop it in the offering at the end of service or take it to one of our teammates in a **Green Shirt** at the **Connection Booth** outside - we'd love to give you some welcome information. Feel free to grab some food or coffee out in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

### SERVING OPPORTUNITIES

If you've ever taken your child to one of our **Kids on Mission** classes, or enjoyed a cup of coffee after service, chances are there was a faithful servant behind each of those examples. Serving is one of the **most fun & rewarding ways we experience community** with our church family! **Fill out a connection card** to learn about the serving opportunities available today.

### COMMUNITY GROUPS

The best way to **get connected** in the church is by joining one of our **Community Groups!** You'll forge friendships, be encouraged, and take the sermon deeper into your heart every week. **Sign up for a Group** on a **Connection Card** or visit the **Connection Booth**. You won't regret it!

### GIVING

**Gospel-centered generosity** is motivated by a heart of thankfulness because of the sacrificial love God has already shown us. If you call **Life Mission** your home, you can place your gift in the offering baskets at the end of service, give online at [lifemissionchurch.com/blog/give](http://lifemissionchurch.com/blog/give) or mail a check to our PO Box. Thank you so much!

### KIDS ON MISSION

Our **Kids on Mission** ministry has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. Visit our website to read more about the vision and plan we have for our kids, including Pastor Jobey's heart for the ministry and his walkthrough of our curriculum. For questions about KOM email **Katie McGinty** at [katie@lifemission.tv](mailto:katie@lifemission.tv)

### JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS

Our **6th - 8th graders** worship with the adults and then head to the junior high room with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service.

### HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Our **9th - 12th graders** stay in the service because we believe that it is critical for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate school. Our **High School Ministry meets on Thursday Nights @7PM at Casey & Amy Barnes Home in San Marcos**. For directions and/or questions about our student ministries, contact **Casey Barnes** at [casey@lifemission.tv](mailto:casey@lifemission.tv).

## VISION: WHY DO WE EXIST?

We want to see God's glory known among the nations, to the least, last, and lost.

## MISSION: WHAT DO WE NEED TO DO?

We need to make disciples who make disciples locally and globally, who are saved, equipped, and sent by the Gospel.

## STRATEGY: HOW WILL WE DO IT?

By teaching people how to be rooted in the Gospel of God's glory through the Word of God, Prayer, and Gospel Community.

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## COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before group starts, is there anyone who can recite this week's memory verse?

Read **Philippians 2:12-14**. What did God show you through His word and through the sermon on Sunday? \_\_\_\_\_

What does the fact that Paul is writing to believers show us what he is NOT saying in the text? \_\_\_\_\_

How do we work *out* this gift of salvation? \_\_\_\_\_

Can you think of ways in which your salvation has been worked out, stretched, or made stronger recently through specific instances or circumstances or choices? \_\_\_\_\_

Read **Ephesians 2:10** and **John 15:16**. Does knowing that God has initiated everything change how we view this working out of our salvation? How should this motivate us? \_\_\_\_\_

We have been given the gift of salvation and now we get to be active and work it out with fear and trembling as we focus our hearts and attention on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith. God doesn't get the glory and praise He deserves when we leave this gift untouched and when we let it sit. How can we make sure that we do not become complacent in our salvation and content with where we are at in our walk with God? \_\_\_\_\_

What areas of your life have you been just "hoping for a miracle" or passively "waiting on the Lord," when you could be actively involved in "being the miracle" by acting in faith, entrusting yourself to God's ways? \_\_\_\_\_

Like the "Lord, bless these donuts to my body" example, which ways of God have you been ignoring? In other words, are you asking Him to bless your marriage, but your work is the priority? Are you asking Him to provide financially, but you are not giving to His mission through the church? We can't just sit around and wait for God to do everything for us. We must have an active part in the working out of our salvation. Pray that God would give us a desire to work out His ways rather than our own ways and ask God to show you how He wants you to be working out your faith and trusting in Him.



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Who are Saved, Equipped, and Sent by the Gospel.**



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**SUNDAYS AT 10AM**

Life Mission Church Meets at Classical Academy High School  
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