

Paul's Letter of Joy



**Encouragement to
Spiritual Growth**

Philippians 2:12 - 13

A person wearing a purple and white checkered shirt, blue jeans, and green rubber boots is standing in a field of green plants. They are holding a shovel with both hands, and the shovel is stuck in the ground. The background is a blurred field of similar green plants.

Process of Spiritual Growth

Philippians 2:12

1. Addressed to Christians

A person wearing a purple checkered shirt, blue jeans, and green rubber boots is using a shovel in a field of green plants. The person is standing on the left side of the frame, and the shovel is stuck in the ground. The background is a lush green field with rows of plants.

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2. We are to work out our salvation

We Are Not Saved By Works

James 2:21-26

- v. 26** - ***Faith without works is dead***
- v. 21** - ***Abraham . . . made righteous by faith***
- v.23** - ***Scripture fulfilled when he offered up Isaac***

Gen. 15:6

Gen. 22

**To “*work out your salvation*”
refers to the**

“*Obedience*”

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Christians Confess Their Sins

1 John 1:6 - 9

- v. 6-7** - ***Claims he/she is a Christian, but lives as they want . . .***
- v. 8** - ***Claims he/she is perfect***
- v. 9** - ***Christian is one who continual confesses his/her sins***

Jude 4

Hyper-Grace = Lawlessness



For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.

Jude 1:4

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Matthew 21:32

1 John 2:23

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1 Peter 2:1

Biblical Path To Spiritual Growth

A close-up photograph of a pothole in a road. The pothole is roughly circular and contains a small amount of water. The surrounding pavement is dark and appears to be made of asphalt or concrete with some aggregate. The water in the pothole has some ripples on its surface. The overall scene is somewhat desaturated, with a greyish-blue tone.

**Does your life
feel like it is full
of potholes?**

1 Peter 2:1

1 John 2:12 – 14

**Father
of Faith**

**Young
Man**

**Little
Child**



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Hebrews 5:11-14

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2. We are to work out our salvation.

3. It is to be done with fear & trembling.

A person wearing a purple checkered shirt, blue jeans, and green rubber boots is using a shovel to dig in a field. The field is filled with rows of green leafy plants. The background is slightly blurred, showing more of the field and some trees in the distance.

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Philippians 2:13

1. God is at work

2. He does according to His will

3. He does as He pleases