

Today's Theme

“God Can Change Us”

Series Title

“Finding Joy In Life” Part 11

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The *Process* Of Change God's Style

Do I Get What God Is *Up* To Here?

1. God's way of bringing *change* to us.

Phil 2:12 Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—continue to work out your salvation

Things We *Need* To Understand

(1) That we are *loved* forever.

Phil 2:12 Therefore, my dear friends,

(2) Change comes from a *right response* to God.

Phil 2:12 . . . as you have always obeyed

(3) That personal *responsibility* matters.

Phil 2:12 . . . —not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence

(4) That we are *not working for* salvation.

Phil 2:12 . . . —continue to work out your salvation

2. We need to take change *seriously*.

Phil 2:12 . . . continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling,

The Reality of The *Relationship* We Have

(1) Although God is *forgiving* towards us.

(2) He still holds us *accountable* for *actions*.

(3) F&T is us being aware of *sin & weaknesses*.

(4) F&T is about being *willing* to *change*.

3. Simply respond to how God *leads* us.

Aiming At His Purpose

(1) God is *at work inside* us (His power).

Phil 2:13 for it is God who works in you

(2) To will = To *do* what's *right* before God.

Phil 2:13 . . . to will . . .

(3) To act = To be *willing* to do the *work* needed.

Phil 2:13 . . . and to act

(4) God is at work with our *will & actions*.

Phil 2:13 . . . in order to fulfill his . . .

(5) All this to *lead* us to God's *purpose*.

Phil 2:13 . . . in order to fulfill his good purpose.

Luke 12:32 “Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom.