

What is “the why”?

Philippians 2:12 Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, **work out** your own salvation with fear and trembling;

Philippians 2:13 for **it is God who works in you** both **to will** and **to do** for His good pleasure.

- **work out**: to accomplish - to put something into effect entirely or thoroughly.
- **Philippians 3:12** Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. Philippians 3:13 Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, Philippians 3:14 I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.
 - reaching forward to those things which are ahead & I press toward = **work out (afore mentioned)**

to will: to desire - to feel or have a desire for; want strongly

to do: to function - to do what something is used for; perform as expected when operating.

works: to implement - to cause to function; to carry into effect.

- **THE GOAL:**
 - Philippians 3:8 Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the **excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord**, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, **that I may gain Christ**
 - Philippians 3:9 and **be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith;**
 - Philippians 3:10 **that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death,**
 - Philippians 3:11 **if, by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead.**
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- **2 Corinthians 4:16 Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man is being renewed day by day.**

2 Corinthians 4:17 For our **light affliction**, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory,
2 Corinthians 4:18 while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.

- 1 Peter 1:6 In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, *if need be*, you have been grieved by various trials, 1

Peter 1:7 that **the genuineness of your faith**, being much more precious than gold that perishes, **though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ**, 1 Peter 1:8 whom having not seen you love.

Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, 1 Peter 1:9 receiving the end of your faith—the salvation of your souls.

- Romans 2:5 But in accordance with your hardness and your impenitent heart you are treasuring up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, Romans 2:6 who “will render to each one according to his deeds”: Romans 2:7 **eternal life to those who by patient continuance in doing good seek for glory, honor, and immortality;**

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Romans 2:29 but he is a Jew who is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the Spirit, not in the letter; whose praise is not from men but from God.