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| I. | Be Obedient: | Philippians 2:12-16 |
| | A. In Actions: | 2:12-13 |
| | 1. Our Work: | 2:12 |
| | 2. God's Work: | 2:13 |
| | a. God works to will: | 2:13 |
| | b. God works to do: | 2:13 |

Illustration: Oswald Chambers said, *“You cannot do anything for your salvation, but you must do something to manifest it, you must work out what God has worked in. Are you working it out with your tongue, and your brain and your nerves? If you are still the same miserable crosspatch, set on your own way, then it is a lie to say that God has saved and sanctified you.”*¹

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| | B. In Attitudes: | Philippians 2:14-16 |
| | 1. Avoid Complaining: | 2:14 |
| | 2. Avoid Disputing: | 2:14 |

Parallel Text:

Jas 5:9a:⁹ Do not grumble against one another, brethren . . .

1 Pe 4:9:⁹ Be hospitable to one another without grumbling.

Mt 5:14-16:¹⁴ “You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden.¹⁵ Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all *who are* in the house.¹⁶ Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Eph 5:8:⁸ For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light.

Illustration: Spurgeon said, *“We cannot be blameless if we murmur and dispute, for such things naturally lead to sin. Our lights cannot shine if instead of trimming them we occupy ourselves with blowing out the lamps of others.”*²

Illustration: “Clare Boothe Luce once declared, ‘The portrait of a saint is only a fragment of a great and still uncompleted mosaic—the portrait of Christ.’ A quality stained-glass window is made up of hundreds of tiny pieces of glass held together with lead. Each saint is a beautifully colored window through which the glory of Christ shines.”³

¹ Chambers, O. (1986). *My utmost for his highest: Selections for the year*. Grand Rapids, MI: Oswald Chambers Publications; Marshall Pickering.

² Spurgeon, C. H. (1964). *The Interpreter: Spurgeon’s Devotional Bible* (p. 714). Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Book House.

³ Jones, G. C. (1986). *1000 illustrations for preaching and teaching* (p. 165). Nashville, TN: Broadman & Holman Publishers.