



# Chapter Two

## Study Questions

# PHILIPPIANS

1. In verse one the word “if” occurs four times, it is used in the same sense that we use the word “since” and describes four conditions. What are four conditions Paul cites in verse 1 to encourage the Philippians to do the things he asks of them in verse 2?
2. What did Paul say in verse 3 and 4 about living in humility?
3. In verse 12 the Philippians are told to continue to “work out their salvation”. The original word is translated as to “carry out to full perfection or to carry out the goal”.

How can a Christian carry out their salvation to full perfection so as to reach their goal? In regards to salvation, what work is ours and what is God's? (These verses may help: Jn 6:44; Rom 10:9–10; Eph 2:8–9; Heb 13:20–21)

4. Why do you think we are told to work out our salvation with fear and trembling?
5. Read verses 14–16. Paul exhorts believers to do everything without complaining or arguing. What motivations does he provide them to do so?
6. We all complain, but sometimes we complain for the wrong reasons (see James 5:9; 1 Peter 4:9).

What would be a proper reason to complain and how should we handle it?

7. We also argue. So when we have and an argument how should we handle it according to the following verses?

- Leviticus 19:17–18; Matthew 5:23–24; 18:15–17; Luke 17:1–4; Col 3:12–14

