

Learn it, link it

Remember this is a Joy filled journey with Jesus.
Philippians 2:17-18

Understanding a tough verse: Philippians 2:12

- Start Here: Follow Jesus
- Work Hard = Bring to completion or continue the process.
- Deep reverence and fear = Take seriously your humility and accountability to God.

The Role God Plays: Philippians 2:13

- He does the work in you.
- He changes your desires.
- He changes your actions.
- He gives you a new purpose.

The role I play: Philippians 2:14-16

- Trust and follow the plan/path/directions.
- Shine - Show the Good you know.
- Stay in the car (stay in relationship) at all times.

Live It.

Start to finish: Let Joy dominate the experience.
Philippians 2:17-18

We invite you to use these notes to continue the conversation throughout the week. Whether online or in person, we need to connect together! So take that Next Step and find yours today! <https://rlc.pub/groups>

Share your story

What insight, question, or resolution did you discover from our time of worship together on Sunday?

Who's the most joyful person you can think of? What do you see helps them be so joyful?

Connect to God's story

If you haven't yet, take a few minutes and read Paul's letter to the Philippians and jot down anything that comes to mind as you read.

Read Philippians 2:12-18.

What is the work are you doing? What work is God doing?

What makes it easy to fall into the trap of trying to earn our way with the Lord?

Read Isaiah 64:6.

What does Isaiah say about our attempts to be righteous on our own? Why do you think this is difficult to believe?

Read Ephesians 2:8-10.

What is the difference between working for your salvation and working out your salvation? Is salvation dependent on your works? Why or why not?

Notice Paul calls us (all together) God's masterpiece. Why do you think God identifies us together as His masterpiece rather than individually?

How does it help us to know God is already at work in us when we partner with Him? What do you think about being a partner with God?

How does finding your worth in who God says you are produce joy even in difficult circumstances? What ways can you begin to trust and believe Jesus this week?

For God is working in you, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases him.

- Philippians 2:13 (NLT)

Real Life Prayer for 2021

We have been on a journey together in 2020. We have prayed for a deeper, intimate, personal, and dependent relationship with all of God— Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

As we step into the new year let us build on all God has done, let us step boldly. Our word for Real Life church in 2021 is **impact.**

Lord, have impact in my inner self.

Lord, have impact in my trust in you and obey your leading.

Lord, have impact in the words of life and hope you give me.

Lord, have impact in my family.

Lord, have impact in our community.

Amen.

God has prepared us to be His light and life and to be an impact everywhere. Let the impact begin now!

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