



### **This Week's Icebreaker Question:**

- Have you registered to serve on a Dream Team at Stronger Men's Conference this year? (text SMCDREAMTEAM to 95577 to do so)

### **Sermon Specific Questions:**

1. Having described the mind and attitude of Christ in Philippians 2:5-11, Paul now appeals to us with ways to implement this in verses 12-18. What are some of the initial things that stand out to you from these verses?
2. Read Philippians 2:12-13 and Ephesians 2:8-9. Paul was calling the Philippians to work out what God had worked in. Knowing that we are saved by faith through grace, what does working out your salvation mean and look like day to day?
3. James 2:17-20 and Ephesians 2:10 are a few other passages that also drive home the point that true salvation manifests itself in good works. How would you explain to somebody who struggles with a performance based religion that working out our salvation doesn't mean we are working to earn our salvation?
4. Reading Philippians 2:14-15 reminds us of the words Jesus spoke in Matthew 5:14-16. What are some results you have seen from being a shining light in the world around you? Who are you praying will be influenced by your shining example of Christ?
5. Read Philippians 2:14-18 and 1 Corinthians 10:9-11. We see that the people of Israel from the Old Testament are an example when it comes to complaining and grumbling, so how would you caution a Christian who often grumbles about making some changes to their behavior? When you are going through a season where complaining and grumbling can be so tempting, how does your belief that God is sovereign and in control of all things influence you in refraining?
6. We are reminded in Philippians 2:16-18 and 1 Thessalonians 2:19-20 that the faith and spiritual growth of others is a true source of joy for Paul. How has the spiritual progress and development of others impacted and increased your joy? Who are some of those people in your life?