

## THE OUTWORKING OF YOUR PRACTICAL SANCTIFICATION Pt. 2 (Philippians 2:14-16)

### I. PAUL'S EXHORTATION FOR UNITY MARKED BY HUMILITY (2:1-4)

### II. THE HUMILIATION OF JESUS CHRIST (2:5-8)

### III. THE EXALTATION OF JESUS CHRIST (2:9-11)

### IV. THE BELIEVER'S PROGRESSIVE SANCTIFICATION (2:12-16)

Continuing on from A through F...

G. The first command (in v. 12) addressed the believer's \_\_\_\_\_ relationship with the Lord, whereas the second command, "*Do all things without complaining and disputing*" deals with the \_\_\_\_\_ relationships in the local church.

1. The word "*complaining*" means to have a \_\_\_\_\_ with someone or something, which may or may not be \_\_\_\_\_ expressed. (John 6:41; Acts 6:1)
2. The word "*disputing*" (*dialogismos*) is probably better understood as \_\_\_\_\_ that lead to disputes; it too has to do with what's going on in the \_\_\_\_\_ and it can be expressed outwardly. (Mark 2:6; Luke 24:38; Acts 24:12)

\* What is our natural tendency when adversities come?

\* When these attitudes prevail, where is the real breakdown taking place?

H. The purpose clause ("*that*" *hina*) tells us WHY we should heed the command...

1. *that you may become blameless*, meaning if judged by others, there are no \_\_\_\_\_ to grab on to; you are \_\_\_\_\_ of all charges, free from fault. (v. 15a)

2. *that you may become harmless*, describes a heart and mind that are not \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ with evil, but it is pure and innocent. (v. 15b)

I. Paul reminded the Philippians of their unique relationship as “\_\_\_\_\_ of God” and he wanted them to \_\_\_\_\_ in light of this profound truth. (v. 15c)

J. Living faultless was not going to be easy because they were currently living in a \_\_\_\_\_ (*skolias*) environment that was also permanently \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. (v. 15d)

K. It is clear that the apostle was not teaching that Christians should be \_\_\_\_\_ from the world as hermits, but that we are to be morally and spiritually \_\_\_\_\_ from it. (v. 15e)

\* Where is “*light*” always needed?

L. The word choice Paul used is interesting, “*holding fast the word of life*” means to \_\_\_\_\_ just hold to oneself, but to \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ to others; Jesus is the living Word of life. (v. 16a)

M. As the Philippians’ spiritual father, Paul had a great desire to see his children \_\_\_\_\_, and live a spiritually \_\_\_\_\_ life, so that he could rejoice with them at the Rapture and the Bema. (v. 16b)

\* How can you personally apply this truth in your own life?