

Getting That Chiseled Look

Philippians 2:12-18



The New Testament

The background of the slide is a photograph of a child in a red shirt sitting on a large pile of rubble and debris. The child is looking down at something in their hands. The scene appears to be a destroyed area, possibly after a natural disaster or conflict. The image is semi-transparent, allowing the text to be overlaid.

Matthew

Mark

Luke

John

Acts

Romans

I & II Corinthians

Galatians

Ephesians

PHILIPPIANS 2:12-18

Colossians

I & II Thessalonians

I & II Timothy

Titus

Philemon

Hebrews

James

I & II Peter

I, II & III John

Jude

Revelation

There are times when you need
someone to believe in you.



Paul gave two instructions:

I. Do your daily workouts.

A. These were good people.

- They had a history of following Godly instruction.

B. The assignment was to carry-out/work-out/cultivate/fully complete their salvation.

- Every day we are either benefiting from a rigorous spiritual routine, or increasing our need for one.

Paul gave two instructions:

I. Do your daily workouts.

C. Do this workout with fear and trembling.

- A daily follower of Jesus _____ from whatever might offend God and discredit the name of Christ.

D. Is it _____ or _____ who does this work?

- If _____ is responsible... **Deflection.**
- If ___ am responsible... **Depression.**
- A deeper study reveals a _____.
 - Only God can provide _____ and _____.
 - Only we can _____ the desire and _____ the strength to do what God calls us to do.

A person wearing a red shirt is working on a stone wall. The person is seen from the side, focused on their task. The background shows a natural setting with trees and a clear sky. The overall scene is one of manual labor in an outdoor environment.

Philippians 2:12b, Amplified Version:

“...work out (cultivate, carry out to the goal, and fully complete) your own salvation with reverence and awe and trembling (self-distrust, with serious caution, tenderness of conscience, watchfulness against temptation, timidly shrinking from whatever might offend God and discredit the name of Christ).”

Paul gave two instructions:

I. Do your daily workouts.

C. Do this workout with fear and trembling.

- A daily follower of Jesus shrinks away from whatever might offend God and discredit the name of Christ.

D. Is it God or me who does this work?

- If God is responsible... ***Deflection.***
- If I am responsible... ***Depression.***
- A deeper study reveals a partnership.
 - Only God can provide _____ and _____.
 - Only we can _____ the desire and _____ the strength to do what God calls us to do.

Philippians 2:13, Amplified Version:

“[Not in your own strength] for it is God Who is all the while effectually at work in you [energizing and creating in you the power and desire], both to will and to work for His good pleasure and satisfaction and delight.”



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 - Only we can embrace the desire and exercise the strength to do what God calls us to do.

Paul gave two instructions:

II. Do your daily workouts without

grumping ...

A. Many give up their _____ before they give up on the _____.

B. To do that is to give up the mind of _____.

- When we give up, the _____ loses its luster; and the word of life we hold out isn't so _____ anymore.

C. Paul _____ them how in Philippians 2:17-18.

Philippians 2:14-16, Amplified Version:

“Do all things without grumbling and fault-finding and complaining [against God] and questioning and doubting [among yourselves], That you may show yourselves to be blameless and guileless, innocent and uncontaminated, children of God without blemish (faultless, unrebukable) in the midst of a crooked and wicked generation [spiritually perverted and perverse], among whom you are seen as bright lights (stars or beacons shining out clearly) in the [dark] world, Holding out [to it] and offering [to all men] the Word of Life, so that in the day of Christ I may have something of which exultantly to rejoice and glory in that I did not run my race in vain or spend my labor to no purpose.”

Paul gave two instructions:

II. Do your daily workouts without

grumping ...

A. Many give up their attitude before they give up on the task.

B. To do that is to give up the mind of Christ.

- When we give up, the shine loses its luster; and the word of life we hold out isn't so appealing anymore.

C. Paul shows them how in Philippians 2:17-18.

Philippians 2:17-18, Amplified Version:

“Even if [my lifeblood] must be poured out as a libation on the sacrificial offering of your faith [to God], still I am glad [to do it] and congratulate you all on [your share in] it. And you also in like manner be glad and congratulate me on [my share in] it.”



If you want that chiseled look:

- Do what only you can do.
- And trust God to do what only He can do.



› *REACH* › *TEACH* › *CARE* › *PRAISE* › *BLAZE* ›



Rejoice in the Lord always!

Philippians 4:4