**Philippians: Suffering & Serving Joyfully**

**Session 8, Part 1: Work, Shine & Rejoice**

**Work Out (Philippians 2:12-18)**

**The Starting Point (2:12-13)**

* Sanctification
* Lifelong obedience of believers
* Growth in Christlikeness
* Justification

***Living in light of our gracious gift of salvation, new position, and new identity!***

**Commending (2:12a)**

* “you are doing this”
* “do so even more”

***Remember:***

***We aren’t what we ought to be, or where we ought to be, or what we will be one day, but by God’s grace, we are not what we used to be!***

**Commanding (2:12b)**

* Challenge
* Clarity
* Conviction

***Are you striving for growth in humility, personal holiness, and selfless service by the power of God’s enabling grace?***

**Comforting (2:13)**

* Dependency
  + Psalm 127:1
  + Colossians 1:29
  + 1 Corinthians 15:10
* Determination
  + Philippians 1:6; 2:13

***Remember:***

***God is at work in you to will and work for His great purpose and good pleasure!***