

Ice Breaker

(in groups of 2 or 3 for larger groups)

When is a time you felt closest to God in an everyday, ordinary moment?

Talk About It!

Part 1

Read Philippians 2:12–13 and discuss:

1. What does private obedience look like in your life right now? How is that different from what people may see publicly?
2. Paul says to "work hard to show the results of your salvation." How do you personally reconcile "working hard" with the truth that God is the one giving both the desire and the power?

Part 2

Read Philippians 2:14–15 and discuss:

1. What's one thing this past week that made you want to complain?
2. Why do you think Paul highlights complaining and arguing in this section? What makes these such common but damaging habits?
3. How does complaining or arguing weaken your witness to others?
4. Paul says to live "clean and innocent lives" and shine like bright lights. What do you think that kind of life actually looks like in the everyday stuff—work, driving, relationships?

Part 3

Read Philippians 2:16–18 and discuss:

1. Paul says he wants to pour himself out like a drink offering for the sake of others' faith. What does that look like in your own context?
2. (*Optional Deeper Dive*) Who is someone in your community (like the examples shared in the message) who models this kind of surrendered, joy-filled life? What do you admire most about them?

Group Prayer Time

- Pray for God to give you the desire and the power to do the things He has called you to
- Pray for gratitude over complaining
- Pray for God to reveal how you can pour your life out for the gospel