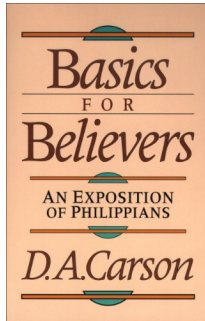


Sermon Point	Verse	Text (with added emphasis)	Supporting Scripture
1. WORK	12	Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, <u>so now</u> , not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling,	Philippians 1:27 Philippians 1:3-5
	13	<u>for</u> it is God who works in you, both to will and to work <u>for</u> his good pleasure.	James 2:17-20, Psalm 90:17 Psalm 2:11 Ephesians 2:10 Psalm 68:28
	14	<b>Do</b> all things without grumbling or disputing,	
	15	<b>that</b> you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life,	John 1:9-13 Deuteronomy 32:5 Daniel 12:1-4
	16	<b>so that</b> in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain.	
	17	Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all.	Isaiah 49:4
18	Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.		
2. HOLD			



Recommended Reading:  
Basics for Believers by Don Carson

Questions for Reflection:

1. There is a significant difference between “working *for* your salvation” and “working *out* your salvation.” Why is this an important distinction to make?
2. How does living with an awareness of the holy presence of God compel you to live a life of holiness?
3. Underneath our work is God’s work. How does this bring comfort to your life as a Christian?
4. How does grumbling and complaining damage your witness?
5. How can you maintain a joyful attitude in the face of the problems of life?
6. How does the reality of the day of Christ affect how you live your life and make disciples?
7. Paul uses the image of being a “sacrificial offering.” What does this image teach you about the nature of your ministry to others?
8. What do you find encouraging about Paul’s sacrificial mind-set? How can you cultivate this type of mind-set for the advancement of the gospel?

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