

## Philippians chapter 2

What would make Paul's joy complete? When Paul says “being like-minded” who is he suggesting that we should be like-minded with? *The “like-minded” of verse 2 is the same Greek word that is translated as “attitude” in verse 5.*

What happened to Jesus when he humbled himself to become one of us [8-11]? What would happen to us if we had the “same mind... that was in Christ Jesus”<sup>[12]</sup>?

What sort of exercise program is Paul advocating when he says “work out your salvation”? Must I accomplish some good works in order to be truly or completely saved?

What is Paul's primary concern in verses 19-30? What does that suggest about ministry - both his and ours [4]?

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**2:12** - ‘work out your own salvation’. Paul does not mean that the Christians at Philippi must work to earn their salvation. He is writing to those who **are** Christians. So they already know Christ’s salvation. It was theirs as a free gift from God (Ephesians 2:8). Paul’s word that we have translated ‘work out’ comes in the works of Strabo. He was a \*Greek who lived in the days of Jesus. Strabo describes how the Romans ‘worked out’ the great silver mines of Spain. In other words, they were getting all the silver that they could from the mines. So Christians must work hard to get all the wonderful riches that their salvation in Christ has for them. *Easy English Bible*