

# GREATER JOY

## [DISCUSSION QUESTIONS]

**November 14, 2021**  
**Without Grumbling or Arguing**

What is something you have grumbled about this week?

### **Read Philippians 2:12-18**

Do you think it's possible to do "everything" without complaining or arguing? What impact would that have on your life and on the lives of those around you?

What does "work out your salvation" mean in Philippians 2:12? Why is it important for Christians to continue to do this since their salvation is secure and cannot be taken away?

Phil. 2:13 says God "works in" us "to act in order to fulfill his good purpose." Share how God is doing this in your life right now. Is there an area that you are limiting God's work in your life because of your attitude? What steps can you take right now to be obedient to God's leading?

Beeson says when we grumble we "declare our distrust in God's sovereign will over our lives" and that we "leak darkness when we were made to shine." Do you feel like that's what you're doing when you grumble? Explain why or why not?

### **Read James 4:6**

What does this text say about the proud and the humble? Why is humility so foundational to experiencing joy?

### **Read Philippians 2:15-16.**

What are the characteristics of someone who lives out this scripture and what is the benefit? Who do you know who shines "like the stars in the sky"? What actions sets this person apart?

How can you be a "joy gusher" instead of a "toxin emitter" this week?