

Today's Theme

“Understanding Change”

Phil 2:12-13

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Things I Need To Understand

1. _____ To Obey Produces Change.

Phil 2:12 Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence . . .

John 14:23 Jesus replied, “If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.

2. Change Requires _____ On My Part.

Phil 2:12 . . . continue to work out your salvation . . .
Colossians 3:2 Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. 3 For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God.

3. We Must Take Change _____.

Phil 2:12 . . . with fear and trembling,
Prov 1:7 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and discipline. 8 Listen, my son, to your father's instruction and do not forsake your mother's teaching. 9 They will be a garland to grace your head and a chain to adorn your neck. 10 My son, if sinners entice you, do not give in to them.

Things I Need To Understand

1. *Learning To Obey Produces Change.*
2. *Change Requires Work On My Part.*
3. *We Must Take Change Seriously.*
4. *Change Is Mainly An _____ Job.*

Phil 2:13 for it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose.

Colossians 1:29 To this end I labor, struggling with all his energy, which so powerfully works in me.

Colossians 1:9 For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding.

God Produces Two Key Things

(1) The _____ to change.

Phil 2:13 . . . to will . . .

(2) The _____ to change.

Phil 2:13 . . . to act . . .