

*Valley Bible Church – Sermon Study Questions*

**Study Aid for the Sermon from March 23-24, 2002**

**"Sacrificial Joy"**

**Observing the text**

How does Philippians 2:17-18 fit with Philippians 2:14-16?

What does Paul mean when he speaks about being poured out as a drink offering? Read 2 Kings 16:13; Jeremiah 7:18; Hosea 9:4.

How did Paul pour himself out as a drink offering?

Why did Paul rejoice in the opportunity to be that offering?

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What was the application that Paul was making to the Philippian church?

### **Applying the sermon**

Who are you sacrificially seeking to encourage in their service to Christ? How are you doing this?

Have those who you have encouraged suffered for the cause of Christ? How have you responded when you see them suffering?

Who are the people who have spiritually invested in your life? Have you personally acknowledged them and sought to encourage them?