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## The Divine-Human Synergy of Sanctification

Philippians 2:12-13

*In the process of spiritual growth (sanctification), do we do the work (v 12) or does God do the work (v 13)? The first position is held by the Pietist. The second position is held by the Quietist. Could it be both?*

- I. Man's \_\_\_\_\_: We must \_\_\_\_\_ (2:12)
- A. \_\_\_\_\_ obedience takes work
  - B. \_\_\_\_\_ takes work
- II. God's \_\_\_\_\_: He will \_\_\_\_\_ (2:13)
- A. God's \_\_\_\_\_ is at work - *For it is God*
  - B. God's \_\_\_\_\_ is at work - *who works*
  - C. God's \_\_\_\_\_ is at work - *in you*
  - D. God's \_\_\_\_\_ is at work - *both to will and to do*
  - E. God's \_\_\_\_\_ is the work - *for His good pleasure*

Our lives are but fine weavings  
That God and we prepare,  
Each life becomes a fabric planned  
And fashioned in His care.

We may not always see just how  
The weavings intertwine,  
But we must trust the Master's hand  
And follow His design,  
For He can view the pattern  
Upon the upper side,  
While we must look from underneath  
And trust in Him to guide . . .

Sometimes a strand of sorrow  
Is added to His plan,  
And though it's difficult for us.  
We still must understand  
That it's He who fills the shuttle,  
It's He who knows what's best.  
So we must weave in patience  
And leave to Him the rest . . .

Not till the loom is silent  
And the shuttles cease to fly  
Shall God unroll the canvas  
And explain the reason why -  
The dark threads are as needed  
In the Weaver's skillful hand  
As the threads of gold and silver  
In the pattern He has planned.

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