

AROUND THE DINNER TABLE

July 17: Philemon

We see this week that the book of Philemon focuses on the idea of radical forgiveness and ultimately, reconciliation.

Describe a time when you were given a second chance at something (a task, a relationship, etc). What did this mean to you?

Recall a time when you or someone you know played the role of a reconciler, approaching someone on behalf of another person. Describe the approach that was taken.

Would you say you are quick to forgive? What is an area of life or a type of "wrong" where you find it most difficult to forgive?

Read aloud Colossians 3:11-17.

After reviewing this passage in Colossians, discuss what someone who "lets the peace of Christ rule in their heart" looks like.

How do you need to see all relationships through a gospel lens this week? Take a moment to pray through the weekly prayer focus, below.

WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS

Adapted from Rachel Jones' *5 Things to Pray* series.

Heavenly Father, help me to be a friend to others who is **FORGIVING**

Read Luke 17:3

Thank God that he always forgives you when you repent – even though you sin against him far more than "seven times in a day" (v.4). Pray that you would be a friend who forgives – who decides to love, to act, and to pray as though a wrong had never been committed. Is there another Christian you're withholding forgiveness from? Ask for a spirit of true forgiveness.

NEXT STEPS

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LOVE PEOPLE,
SHARE CHRIST... *more*

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SERMON PASSAGE

Philemon (ESV)

¹Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our beloved fellow worker²and Apphia our sister and Archippus our fellow soldier, and the church in your house:
³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I thank my God always when I remember you in my prayers,⁵ because I hear of your love and of the faith that you have toward the Lord Jesus and for all the saints,⁶ and I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective for the full knowledge of every good thing that is in us for the sake of Christ.⁷ For I have derived much joy and comfort from your love, my brother, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you.

⁸Accordingly, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do what is required,⁹ yet for love's sake I prefer to appeal to you—I, Paul, an old man and now a prisoner also for Christ Jesus—¹⁰I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment.¹¹ (Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me.)¹² I am sending him back to you, sending my very heart.¹³ I would have been glad to keep him with me, in order that he might serve me on your behalf during my imprisonment for the gospel,¹⁴ but I preferred to do nothing without your consent in order that your goodness might not be by compulsion but of your own accord.¹⁵ For this perhaps is why he was parted from you for a while, that you might have him back forever,¹⁶ no longer as a bondservant but more than a bondservant, as a beloved brother—especially to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord.¹⁷ So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me.¹⁸ If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account.¹⁹ I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self.²⁰ Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ.²¹ Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.²² At the same time, prepare a guest room for me, for I am hoping that through your prayers I will be graciously given to you.

²³Epaphras, my fellow prisoner in Christ Jesus, sends greetings to you,²⁴ and so do Mark, Aristarchus, Demas, and Luke, my fellow workers.²⁵ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

SERMON NOTES

July 17, 2022: Pastor Trent Jones

Passage: Philemon

Sermon Series:

Long Story Short: A Look at Five Chapter-less Books

Sermon Notes

FURTHER STUDY THIS WEEK

TAKING A CLOSER LOOK

Whether you are meeting with someone this week or you are getting into the Word on your own, we encourage you to work through these questions as you take a deeper look at the sermon passage from this week, or as you dig deeper into the "Read the Bible in Two Years" reading plan that we are currently working through as a church.



1. What are 1-2 things that "shine" from this passage? Whatever impacts the most or draws attention.



2. What are 1-2 things that are difficult to understand in the text, or a question that you would like to ask the writer of the passage or the Lord?



3. What is the central idea of the passage?



4. What are 1-2 personal applications for your own life?



5. With a friend: Find out what is going on in each other's lives. What has been their greatest joy this week? Greatest challenge this week and how they've handled it? What is one area each of you could pray about for each other as it relates to growing with your relationship with the Lord, a spouse, child or friend?

July Memory Verse

1 Corinthians 13:1

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.