



## PHILEMON: FREEDOM, FORGIVENESS, AND SECOND CHANCES

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<b>Outline</b>	1-3	4-7	8-17
<b>Focus</b>	Peace from God	Praise for Philemon	Plea for Onesimus
<b>Key Verse</b>	3	7	11

<b>Outline</b>	18-22	23-25
<b>Focus</b>	Pledge from Paul	Greetings from All
<b>Key Verse</b>	18	25

“Philemon is a graceful little masterpiece of fine courtesy, exquisite tact, and even playfulness of wit.” J. SIDLOW BAXTER

A slave named Onesimus \_\_\_\_\_ from his master, Philemon, and fled to Rome, where he met Paul, who led him to faith in Christ.

*I appeal to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I became in my imprisonment. (Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful to you and to me).* PHILEMON 10-11 ESV

*“If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ.”* PHILEMON 18-20 ESV

## **Paul and Slavery**

Christianity does more than \_\_\_\_\_; it teaches that slaves and masters are \_\_\_\_\_.

*There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. GALATIANS 3:28*

*For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. GALATIANS 5:1 ESV*

## **The Gospel According to Philemon**

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