

Effective Faith
(Philemon 1-7)

1. The Book of Philemon was a letter written by _____ with his associate _____ from a Roman prison in 60-62 AD (v1)
2. This letter was addressed....
 - ...primarily to _____ a wealthy man and believer in Jesus Christ located in the town of _____ in whose house the Colossian church met.
 - ...also, to _____ who was likely Philemon's _____.
 - ...and to _____ who was likely their _____ and also a _____ at the church at Colossae.
 - ...and finally, the _____ church who were a group of believers in Colossae (a _____ church) and part of the Body of Christ (the _____ church) which include all believers throughout the world.
3. This letter to them was delivered by _____ from Paul in Rome. (Col. 4:7-9)
4. The purpose of this letter to Philemon was to address a _____ between a master (Philemon) and a slave (Onesimus). (v9-10)
5. The theme of this letter is _____.
6. Paul greeted them with _____ and _____ from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. (v3)
 - The grace of God is _____ kindness toward mankind who deserves the very opposite. (Eph. 2:1-9; Titus 2:11)
 - The grace of God is available to man because of the _____ of Jesus Christ. (Rom. 3:24; 5:15; 1 Cor. 1:4; Gal. 2:21; Heb. 2:9)
 - The grace of God is the basis for God's _____.
 - The peace with God is the cessation of _____ between God and any person.
 - The peace with God is acquired by faith in Christ's sacrificial _____ for our sins. (Rom. 5:1; Gal. 2:21; Col. 1:20; Heb. 2:9)
 - The peace of God is the supernatural comfort and assurance we receive from God as we _____ by _____ His promises found in His Word. (Rom. 15:13; Gal. 5:16, 22; Phil. 4:7; 2 Thes. 3:16)

7. Paul begins to address _____ only in verses 4- 22a.
8. Paul communicates his _____ for him. (v4)
- He expressed his thankfulness for Philemon in his prayers for him _____. (v4)
 - What does this teach us about prayer for others in our church?
 - Paul's prayers were the result of hearing of his growing _____ and _____ toward God and others. (v5)
 - What does this teach us about how we should relate to God and each other in our church?
 - The purpose of Paul's prayers for him was that his fellowship in the Christian life with others would be _____ for Christ. (v6)
 - How?
 - Do you have a focus to help others become more Christ-like?
 - The result of Philemon's fellowship with the saints brought Paul and the saints with him great _____ and _____. (v7)
 - What was the motivation of Philemon's service?
 - What was the result of his service to the saints in Colossae?
 - What does this mean to us?
 - God is interested in even the little churches like ours, therefore we should take our ministry we have been given _____.
 - God's grace and peace are available to us, we appropriate them by _____.
 - We are a part of the body of Christ, we should take heed to our walk by faith so that other members may be _____ and edified together with us.