

QUESTIONS

All questions are based on the New King James Version of the Bible.

DAY ONE: Read all notes and references.

1. a. What lingering reminder of your *old man* will you put aside as a result of studying Colossians 3?

b. What changes do you need to make in your relationships with others in order to be pleasing to the Lord?
How will you implement those changes?

c. What was most helpful to you from the lecture?

DAY TWO: Read Colossians 4:2-6. [\[Open NKJV\]](#) [\[Open NIV\]](#)

2. List three things which should accompany prayer.
3. a. For whom in particular does Paul request prayer?

b. What is his specific request?
4. a. **?** (Thought Question) Who do you think are the "outsiders" referenced in v. 5?

b. What does the Holy Spirit call us to *redeem* (make the most of)? What do you think this means?

c. What reason is given for this in Ephesians 5:15-16?

- d. (Personal Question) What opportunity has the Lord given you for ministry of which you need to make the most?
5. a. What is important to remember about your speech or conversation?
- b. From Ephesians 4:29 and 5:4, give some examples of what is gracious speech.
- c. Using the above verses from Ephesians and Colossians 3:8-9, what kinds of speech are not gracious?
6. ? (Thought Question) What do you think it means to let your speech be *seasoned with salt*?
See Job 6:6 and Mark 9:50 for help.

DAY THREE: Read Colossians 4:7-9 and Philemon 10-16. [\[Open NKJV\]](#) [\[Open NIV\]](#)

7. a. How does Paul introduce Tychicus?
- b. What else do you learn about Tychicus from:
- Acts 20:1-5:
- Ephesians 6:21-22:
- Titus 3:12:
- 2 Timothy 4:12:
- c. What was Tychicus sent to Colossae to do?

d. (Personal Question) Write down something you have learned about Tychicus's life that you would like to instill into your own life.

8. a. Who accompanied Tychicus?

b. List all you learn about Onesimus from Colossians 4:9 and Philemon 10-16.

DAY FOUR: Read Philemon 1-25. [\[Open NKJV\]](#) [\[Open NIV\]](#)

9. a. What was Paul's relationship to Philemon? (v.1)

b. Why did Paul thank God for Philemon? (vs. 4-5)

10. a. What did Paul want Philemon to do? Why? (v. 6)

b. Why did he not order Philemon to do what he wanted? (vs. 8-14)

11. How had Onesimus changed since Philemon had last seen him? (vs. 11 & 16)

12. a. What did Paul offer to do for Onesimus? (vs. 18-19)

b. (Personal Question) How has Christ done the same for you that Paul offered to do for Onesimus?

DAY FIVE: Read Colossians 4:10-17. [\[Open NKJV\]](#) [\[Open NIV\]](#)

13. a. Who were the men listed in vs. 10-11 that proved to have been a comfort to Paul?
- b. How does Paul describe them?
14. a. Who was praying fervently for the Colossians? (v. 12)
- b. What was his specific prayer for them?
- c. Why did Epaphras have a special interest in the Colossians? See also Colossians 1:6-7.
- d. (Personal Question) Have you ever "*wrestled in prayer*" for anyone? Describe the circumstances.
15. a. From Philemon 24 and 2 Timothy 4:10-11, what do you learn about Luke and Demas?
- b. What fact does Colossians 4:14 mention about Luke?
- c. **?** (Thought Question) What implication can you make concerning Luke from 2 Timothy 4:10-11?
16. a. Who was singled out for special encouragement? (Colossians 4:17)
- b. What more do you learn about him from Philemon 1-2?

17. a. How can we be sure that this letter was authored by Paul? See also 2 Thessalonians 3:17-18.

b. What closing blessing does Paul leave with his readers in every letter that he wrote?

c. What is the significance of Paul's usual blessing at the end of all of his epistles?

18. ? (Thought Question) Why do you think Paul asks his readers to remember his chains?

19. a. What stands out to you as most important from your study of Colossians and Philemon?

b. ♥ (Heart Question) What change has this study made in your life?