

## Philemon: Right Relationships — *Community*

### Discussion Questions

**Date:** March 22, 2020 | **Scripture:** Philemon 1-25

1. Read Philemon 1-25, with special attention to verses 4-7. What stands out to you?
2. How does Paul describe some of the people he mentions in this letter (e.g., Philemon, Archippus)? What do these titles tell us about how Paul viewed these people and his view of Christian community?
3. Jesus saves people individually, but he does so in a way that brings us into a family. How does the gospel confront our individualism and consumerism and challenge us to love one another as part of God's family?
4. Is there a community that you naturally gravitate towards because of affinity or utility? How does our union with Christ reshape the way we approach relationships?
5. Community is important because we all need other Christians. Is there another believer in your life whose presence and fellowship brings you closer to Jesus? Who is that person, and how have they shown up in your life?
6. Who are some people that are in your direct sphere of influence, and what can you do this week to bring Jesus to them? Be specific and take action!

### WORSHIP THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

Here are some other ways you can meet with God throughout the week:

*Reflect* on these passages:

- Psalm 133
- 2 Samuel 23:8-17
- Colossians 3:1-17
- Ephesians 4:1-16
- Hebrews 13:1-19

*Listen* to the Philemon worship playlist on Apple Music or Spotify

*Reach out* if you need assistance during this time:

- Call our church office at 703.821.0800
- Request aid from our Deacons' Fund at [deaconsfund@mcleanpres.org](mailto:deaconsfund@mcleanpres.org)

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