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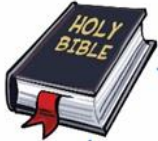
APRIL – JUNE 2023, READING SCHEDULE

	APRIL		MAY		JUNE	
THU					1	Colossians 3:1–4
FRI					2	Colossians 3:5–11
SAT	1	Judges 16:23–31			3	Colossians 3:12–17
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MON	3	Judges 17:1–13	1	Ephesians 4:1–6	5	Colossians 3:18–4:1
TUE	4	Judges 18:1–13	2	Ephesians 4:7–13	6	Colossians 4:2–6
WED	5	Judges 18:14–31	3	Ephesians 4:14–16	7	Colossians 4:7–18
THU	6	Judges 19:1–21	4	Ephesians 4:17–24	8	Philippians 1:1–8
FRI	7	Judges 19:22–20:7	5	Ephesians 4:25–28	9	Philippians 1:9–11
SAT	8	Judges 20:8–25	6	Ephesians 4:29–32	10	Philippians 1:12–18
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MON	10	Judges 20:26–48	8	Ephesians 5:1–2	12	Philippians 1:19–26
TUE	11	Judges 21:1–25	9	Ephesians 5:3–7	13	Philippians 1:27–30
WED	12	Ruth 1	10	Ephesians 5:8–17	14	Philippians 2:1–4
THU	13	Ruth 2	11	Ephesians 5:18–20	15	Philippians 2:5–11
FRI	14	Ruth 3	12	Ephesians 5:21–33	16	Philippians 2:12–18
SAT	15	Ruth 4	13	Ephesians 6:1–4	17	Philippians 2:19–30
SUN	16		14		18	
MON	17	Ephesians 1:1–6	15	Ephesians 6:5–9	19	Philippians 3:1–6
TUE	18	Ephesians 1:7–14	16	Ephesians 6:10–13	20	Philippians 3:7–14
WED	19	Ephesians 1:15–23	17	Ephesians 6:14–17	21	Philippians 3:15–4:1
THU	20	Ephesians 2:1–3	18	Ephesians 6:18–20	22	Philippians 4:2–3
FRI	21	Ephesians 2:4–7	19	Ephesians 6:21–24	23	Philippians 4:4–7
SAT	22	Ephesians 2:8–10	20	Colossians 1:1–8	24	Philippians 4:8–13
SUN	23		21	ANNIVERSARY GIFT DAY	25	
MON	24	Ephesians 2:11–13	22	Colossians 1:9–14	26	Philippians 4:14–19
TUE	25	Ephesians 2:14–18	23	Colossians 1:15–20	27	Philippians 4:20–23
WED	26	Ephesians 2:19–22	24	Colossians 1:21–26	28	Philemon 1:1–7
THU	27	Ephesians 3:1–6	25	Colossians 1:27–28	29	Philemon 1:8–16
FRI	28	Ephesians 3:7–13	26	Colossians 1:29–2:5	30	Philemon 1:17–25
SAT	29	Ephesians 3:14–21	27	Colossians 2:6–10		
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MON			29	Colossians 2:11–15		
TUE			30	Colossians 2:16–19		
WED			31	Colossians 2:20–23		



S.O.A.P is a simple method for reading and applying God's word to our lives. By SOAPing your verses you are able to dig deeper into scripture and "see" more than if you simply read the verses. Let me encourage you, children to take the time to S.O.A.P. the daily verses and see for yourself how much more you get out of your daily reading.....you'll be amazed.

S.O.A.P involves **four simple steps**.



SCRIPTURES

Read a short Bible passage out loud and/or write it out.



OBSERVATION

- What do you notice about the verses?
- What do you think the main message is?
- What verses, words or ideas jump out to you?

APPLICATION



Ask God how He wants you to apply the verse to your own life.

PRAYER



Pray for yourself and/or for others.

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Studying God's Word like this can take as little or as long as you have time to give.

The most important ingredients in the S.O.A.P. method is **YOUR interaction** with God's Word and **YOUR APPLICATION** of His Word for **YOUR** life.

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APRIL 2023

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Book of Judges



Who wrote this book?

No one knows for sure. Many people think Samuel is the author.

Why was this book written?

Judges shows what happened when the Israelites abandoned God to worship idols.

What happens in this book?

God's people sin again and again. God lets Israel's enemies win. When the Israelites suffer, they turn to God. Then God sends a "judge" to defeat the enemy and lead Israel.

What do we learn about God in this book?

God is eager to forgive and help people who have sinned if only they will turn to Him.

Who are the key people in this book?

Deborah, Gideon, Jephthah, and Samson.

When did this happen?

The events in this book happened between 1390 and 1050 B.C.

Where did this happen?

The events of this book happened in different parts of Canaan.

Our God Has Delivered...

Judges 16:23–31



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- How did Samson die?
- What did Samson pray for in verse 28?
- What happened when Samson called upon God for strength one last time?
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APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

How can I help a friend to remember God's grace and not fall into sin?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Dear God, forgive us for the

times when we forget where our

blessings come from. Help us to

stay humble so we won't give in

to pride. In Jesus' name I pray,

Amen.





Bible Pathway Adventures

WORD SEARCH

SAMSON

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JAWBONE

LION

NAZARITE

RIDDLE

WEDDING GUESTS

PHILISTINES

HONEY

VINEYARD

DELILAH

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Sermon Notes

2 APR

Preacher

Draw something inspired by the worship, prayer or sermon.



Sermon Title and Scriptures



Lessons from the sermon



My response in prayer



Idolatry to the Lord

Judges 17:1–13



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



What are the sins that Micah commits in today's passage?



Who is Micah trying to worship with his idols? What does God's law say about his actions?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

Why did the Levite leave his own place and city?
What can this teach me about contentment and God's will?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Dan Had Not Yet Come Into an Inheritance

Judges 18:1–13

Being with JESUS
TUESDAY
4 APR



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



Why were the Danites seeking a place of their own to stay?



Who did Dan inquire of instead of the Lord? Is the priest speaking God's true message?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

Is there an area of my life where I am going against God's will?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Lord Jesus, help me daily to look

to You and draw strength from

You and not my own.

In Your name, I pray, Amen.



Be Our Father and Priest

Judges 18:14–31



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



What did the Danites do that is similar to Micah's own life and actions?



APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

Is there a someone that I can pray for today who seems to be removing himself from God's Kingdom and plan?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Seeking Out Our Own People

Judges 19:1–21



SCRIPTURES






What words and phrases stand out for you?

Concubine - A woman who lives with a man though she is not his wife.



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

-  The Levite entered Gibeah, a town of Benjamin. He has sought out his own people and now seeks hospitality from these brethren. What does his conversation with the old man imply about the town they are in?
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APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Speak Up!

Judges 19:22-20:7



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



What is the spiritual condition of these men from Gibeah?



What is the spiritual condition of this Levite?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Lord Jesus, help me not to just

think and care about my needs

and wants only. Help me to care

for the needs of others too.

In Your name, I pray, Amen.



Mobilization of All Tribes in Israel

Judges 20:8–25



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

Israel inquires of God twice and is defeated twice. Were they suffering from being disobedient to God's instruction? Are my prayers to God for guidance similar to what Israel is doing here?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Sermon Notes

9 APR

Preacher

Draw something inspired by the worship, prayer or sermon.



Sermon Title and Scriptures



Lessons from the sermon



My response in prayer



Shall We Go... or Not?

Judges 20:26–48



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

■ For the third battle, Israel's inquiry of the Lord is now different in form, and God's answer also differs. What does this teach me about the right heart/attitude I should have in seeing God's will (Luke 22:42)?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

Who are the 'good guys' in this story? Who is it who is passionately serving God and humbly seeking His favour and instruction? Do we as God's church also behave towards one another as the Israelites did?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Why Has this Happened to Israel?

Judges 21:1–25



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

■ What is my emotional reaction to reading Israel's cry to the Lord in Judges 21:3? How would I have answered them?



■ We understand the period described in Judges to be summarized by "everyone did what they saw fit". Besides the obvious sin and disobedience, we also see rash oaths before God, similar to the one stated in Judges 21:3. This leads directly to further bloodshed and the kidnapping of young virgins. When do the consequences of sin end?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

How can I be committed to God and to my promises to Him?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Lord Jesus, help me daily to look

to You and draw strength from

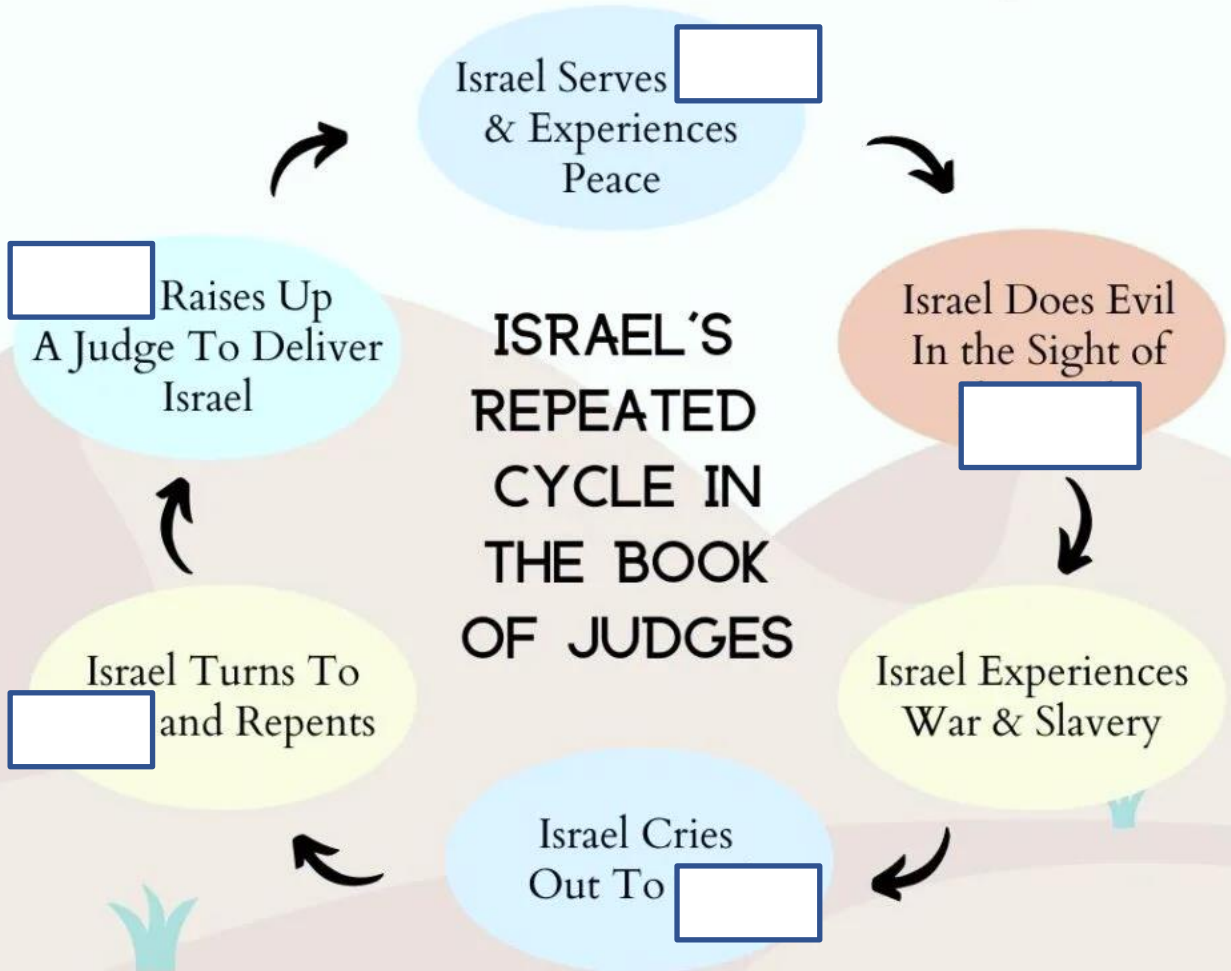
You and not my own.

In Your name, I pray, Amen.



Fill in the blank with the word "God".

The Book of Judges





Book of Ruth

Who wrote this book?

The author of Ruth is unknown.

Why was this book written?

Ruth shows that some people trusted God even in the times of the judges.

What happens in this book?

Ruth, a young Moabite widow, travelled to Israel with her Jewish mother-in-law and married a good man there.

What do we learn about God in this book?

God loves people of every nation who put their trust in Him.

Who are the key people in this book?

Naomi, Ruth and Boaz

When did this happen?

The story of Ruth took place in the days of the judges, probably about 1100 B.C.

Where did this happen?

Ruth and Naomi lived in Bethlehem, the city where David and Jesus later born.

Ruth's Loyalty

Ruth 1



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- Naomi and her family moved to Moab to escape a famine in Israel. Naomi's husband and two sons died, and she was sad and lonely. She decided to return to Israel, and her daughter-in-law Ruth went with her.

From today's reading, what kind of character do you think Ruth and Naomi have?

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APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

What are the good characteristics that Naomi and Ruth have that you, too, would like to have?

PRAYER

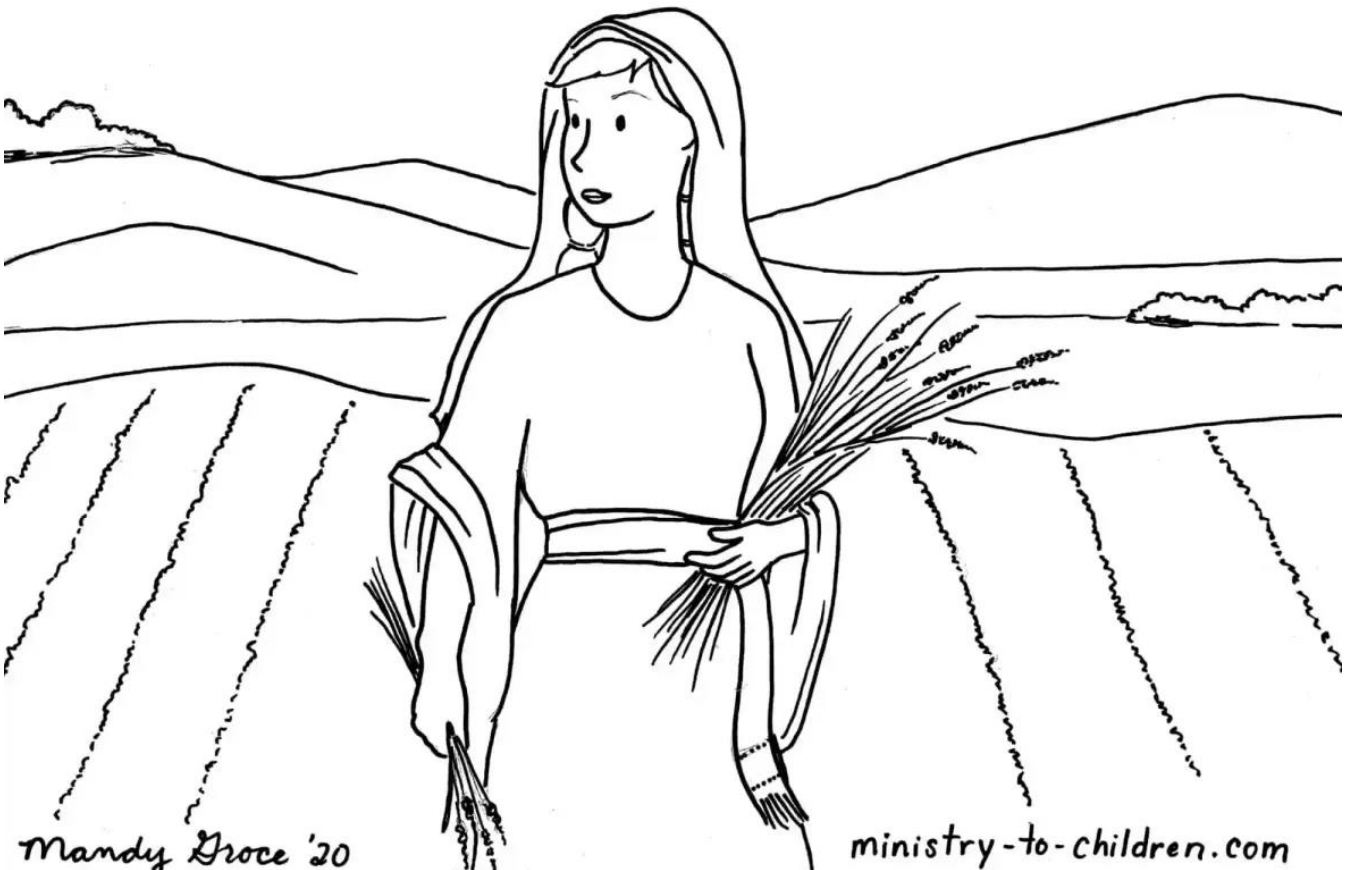
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RUTH



"ALL THAT YOU SAY, I WILL DO."



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Boaz Notices Ruth

Ruth 2



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

■ What is the character of Boaz demonstrated in this passage? What is his motivation for the kindness he shows to Ruth (Ruth 2:8 and 2:11)?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

What is the character of Ruth demonstrated in this passage? Who do I know reflects Ruth's character, and how can I pray for them today?

PRAYER

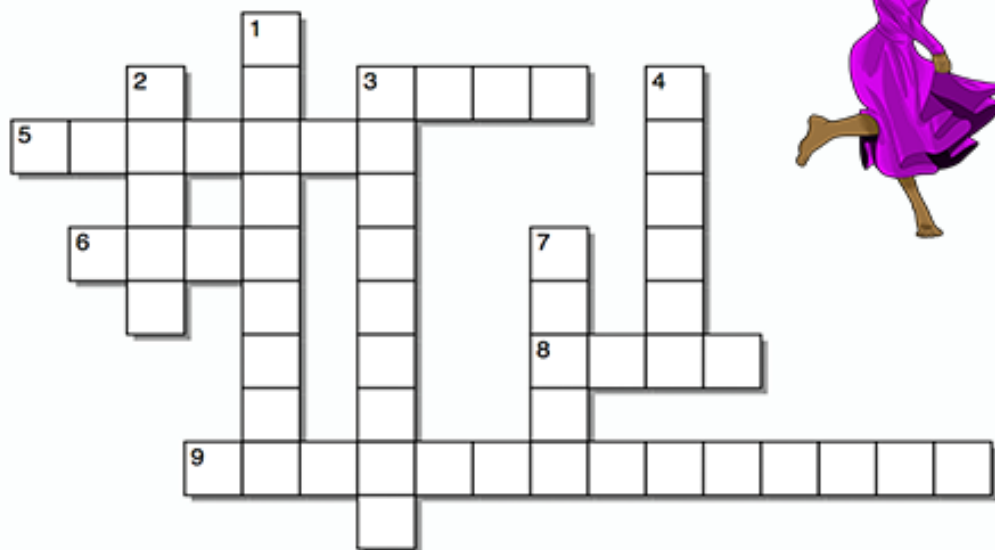
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CROSSWORD

RUTH



ACROSS

- 3) "_____ instructed his young men, "Let her glean even among the sheaves and do not reproach her." (Ruth 2:15 ESV)
- 5) "The day you buy the field from the hand of Naomi, you also acquire Ruth the _____..." (Ruth 4:5 ESV)
- 6) Boaz took Ruth and she became his _____. (Ruth 4:13 ESV)
- 8) Name of Ruth and Boaz's son. (Ruth 4:17 ESV)
- 9) Ruth went down to the _____ and did just as her mother-in-law had commanded her. (Ruth 3:6 ESV)

DOWN

- 1) Name of Naomi's husband. (Ruth 1:3 ESV)
- 2) Name of Obed's grandson. (Ruth 4:22 ESV)
- 3) Ruth and Naomi returned to this town together. (Ruth 1:19 ESV)
- 4) "Your _____ will be my people and your God my God." (Ruth 1:16 ESV)
- 7) Name of Ruth's mother-in-law. (Ruth 1:8 ESV)

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The Proposal

Ruth 3



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



Boaz blesses Ruth specifically for her "kindness". What is he referring to? What kindness does he show in return?




APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



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WORD SEARCH

RUTH

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TORAH

NAOMI

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BETHLEHEM

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Better Than Seven Sons

Ruth 4



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?

A person's **kinsman-redeemer** was their nearest male relative in the family.



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



Read Ruth 4:13–16 again. Who is better than seven sons, and why?



APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

How do you appreciate God's goodness and faithfulness in your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Sermon Notes

16 APR

Preacher

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Sermon Title and Scriptures

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Lessons from the sermon

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My response in prayer





Book of Ephesians

Who wrote this book?

Paul.

Why was this book written?

Ephesians shows that the church is not a building but people who love and obey Jesus.

For whom was this book written?

This book is a letter Paul sent to the Christians in Ephesus.

When was this book written?

Ephesians was written about A.D. 60 from Rome, where Paul was in prison.

What are some important teachings in this book?

What God did to save us

Ephesians 1:3–14

God gives life in Christ

Ephesians 2:1–10

Jesus gives peace

Ephesians 2:11–18

How to live a holy life

Ephesians 4:20–32

Children and parents

Ephesians 6:1–4

Destined to be Adopted

Ephesians 1:1–6



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

Ephesians 1:3 tells how God the Father chooses you, Christ dies to forgive you, and the Holy Spirit stays with you to protect and help you.

Paul wanted the Ephesian Christians to remember that they had these wonderful “spiritual blessings”. These blessings are yours as well if you believe in Jesus as your Lord and Saviour.

APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

What has God done to bless you, and how can you respond to His love?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



LONG AGO, EVEN
BEFORE HE MADE
THE WORLD,



GOD CHOSE
TO BE YOU
HIS VERY OWN

EPHESIANS 1:4

For the Praise of His Glory

Ephesians 1:7-14



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



What does Paul say about our redemption in today's passage?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Pray for someone using Ephesians

1:17-22



Power and Strength

Ephesians 1:15–23



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- Paul prays for wisdom, revelation, and enlightenment for the Ephesian believers.
- What is the purpose he gives for his prayer?
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APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

The incomparably great power and mighty strength of God is exerted on Christ's behalf. Why is it important for me to know this power and strength?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



You Were Dead in Your Sins

Ephesians 2:1–3








SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

-  Read Ephesians 2:1. What does it mean to be dead in trespasses and sins?
-  When we are born into this world we are alive physically but spiritually we are dead. We can do nothing to please God and our sins separate us from Him. That's what it means to be dead in our sins.
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APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

Alive in Christ is when a person is introduced to the Good News about Jesus Christ and are being invited to have life spiritually. Who can I share the Good News with this week?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



God Made Us Alive!

Ephesians 2:4–7



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- Is there a loved one today who needs to be made alive or raised up "with Christ"?
- What does it mean to be "seated with Him in the heavenly realms with Christ Jesus"?
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APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Like the rest, I was by nature

deserving of wrath. But because of

Your great love for me, God, who is

rich in mercy, made me alive with

Christ even when I was dead in

transgressions — it is by

grace I have been saved.



Thank You, Lord Jesus, for saving me.

Gift of Grace through Faith

Ephesians 2: 8–10



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?

Grace is help that God gives us because He is kind and He loves us. It is a gift from God that we do not deserve.



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

How is grace administered "through faith" in my life?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Sermon Notes

23 APR

Preacher

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Sermon Title and Scriptures



Lessons from the sermon



My response in prayer



Then and Now

Ephesians 2:11-13



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?

"Formerly" and "at that time" refers to something which is in the past.



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

What does today's passage tell me about those who were formerly outside the Kingdom of God?




APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Wall of Hostility Destroyed

Ephesians 2:14–18



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?

Hostility is unfriendliness or opposition.



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



What was Christ's purpose in destroying the barrier of hostility?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

Who do I need to express Christ-centered unity with today?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Built Together

Ephesians 2:19–22








SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

-  What is the difference between the community in today's passage and the two groups of yesterday's passage?
-  What is the purpose of a temple? Is there a brother or sister today who I can join with to build God's holy temple and dwelling place?
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APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Mystery of the One Body

Ephesians 3:1–6



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?

Gentile is a person who is not a Jew.



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

Where is Paul when he writes this letter? Who is it who holds him captive according to Ephesians 3:1?

What does Paul say is the source of his understanding of this "mystery of Christ"?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



The Grace of Preaching Christ

Ephesians 3:7–13



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

What is Paul's attitude towards himself in today's passage? What can I learn from him?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Knowing What Surpasses Knowledge

Ephesians 3:14–21



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- What does Paul pray for the Ephesians to receive?
- Why do we need God's power to know this love that surpasses knowledge?
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APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?


Share Ephesians 3:16–19 with your family members.

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Dear God, help us to be rooted in
Your love and to stay firmly
connected to You so that we can
grow in our faith. Help us understand
how important that is. Thank You for
Your love. In Jesus name,
Amen!





LORD, help

be rooted
and grounded

In Your

LOVE.

Ephesians 3:17

Sermon Notes

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Preacher

Draw something inspired by the worship, prayer or sermon.



Sermon Title and Scriptures



Lessons from the sermon



My response in prayer



Making Every Effort for Unity

Ephesians 4:1–6



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?

Ephesians 4:4-6

There is **one** body and **one** Spirit, just as you were called to **one** hope when you were called; **one** Lord, **one** faith, **one** baptism; **one** God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

What can I do today to keep the unity of the Spirit'?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Dear God,

Pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us
to renew our hearts and minds

that we may be able to

understand the depth of Your love

and come together to

glorify You. Amen.



Equipped for Service by Grace

Ephesians 4:7-13



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



What, according to today's passage, is the source of our equipping?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

How can I use my gifts to build up the body of Christ?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Growth in Christ – Truth-Speaking

Ephesians 4:14–16



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

Is there someone to whom God is calling me to speak the truth in love today?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Dear God, give me the courage

to speak Your truth in love every

day. In Jesus' mighty name, I

pray. Amen.



Contrasting Ways of Life

Ephesians 4:17-24



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

What are the different ways of life described in this passage?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

What must I do to live as Children of Light?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Old Self Habits to Put Off

Ephesians 4:25–28



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

Does my speech include lies? What can I do to break this habit?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Dear God, help me to not conform
to the pattern of this world but to be
transformed by the renewing of my
mind through Your Word. Amen.



Sins of the Tongue

Ephesians 4:29–32



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



What is “unwholesome talk” in today’s passage?



What can I do to avoid grieving the Holy Spirit?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Lord Jesus, I am sorry for the words

I have spoken in anger. Help me,

Lord, to be a person full of loving

words, full of your Spirit,

overflowing with love, joy, peace,

patience, kindness,

gentleness, and self-control



Amen.

Be kind to one another,
tenderhearted, forgiving one another,
as God in Christ forgave you.

Ephesians 4:32



Sermon Notes

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Preacher

Draw something inspired by the worship, prayer or sermon.



Sermon Title and Scriptures



Lessons from the sermon



My response in prayer



Dearly Loved Children

Ephesians 5:1–2



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



How do you follow God's example as dearly loved children of God?



APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

With Jesus Christ as the ultimate example, how can I show love to the people around me?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Improper for God's Holy People

Ephesians 5:3–7



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



What is improper for God's holy people?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

How can I reach out to those who hold different standards of morality without being influenced by them?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Lord Jesus, help me daily to look

to You and depend on Your

strength and not on my own

strength. In Jesus' name, I pray.

Amen.



Light Not Darkness

Ephesians 5:8–17



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

Once you were in darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. How then should you live?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Dear Lord, help me to do what _____

pleases You. In Jesus' mighty _____

name, I pray. Amen. _____



"Drunk" with the Spirit

Ephesians 5:18–20



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- Filled with the Spirit means living in the conscious presence of the Lord Jesus Christ, letting His mind, through the Word, dominate everything you do.
- When we are filled with the Holy Spirit in this way, we will do as Ephesians 5:19–20 says. We will praise and worship the Lord in song. We will overflow with thanksgiving to God.
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APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Dear God, I thank You for giving
me the Counsellor, the Holy Spirit,
to help me in my walk with You. In
Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.



Husbands and Wives

Ephesians 5:21–33



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



We are to submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. Likewise, husbands and wives are to honour and submit to one another.



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Children and Parents

Ephesians 6:1-4



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

What are the ways you can honour your father and mother?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Lord Jesus, fill me with Your grace

to obey and honour my parents.

Amen.



Obey your parents

Ephesians 6:1-3



Sermon Notes

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Preacher

Draw something inspired by the worship, prayer or sermon.



Sermon Title and Scriptures



Lessons from the sermon



My response in prayer



Slaves and Masters

Ephesians 6:5–9



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- Slaves must obey their earthly masters with respect, fear, and sincerity of heart, just as you would Christ.
- Likewise, masters have to treat their slaves in the same way.

APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

How should you obey those that God puts above you?

How should you treat those that God puts under you?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Struggle is Not Against Flesh and Blood

Ephesians 6:10–13



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



God's Word says we are to be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power.



What is it we fight against?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

How does God help us in the battle against evil?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Components of Our Spiritual Armour

Ephesians 6:14–17



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



Why do we need spiritual armour?



Why is it important that we put on our full spiritual armour every day?




APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

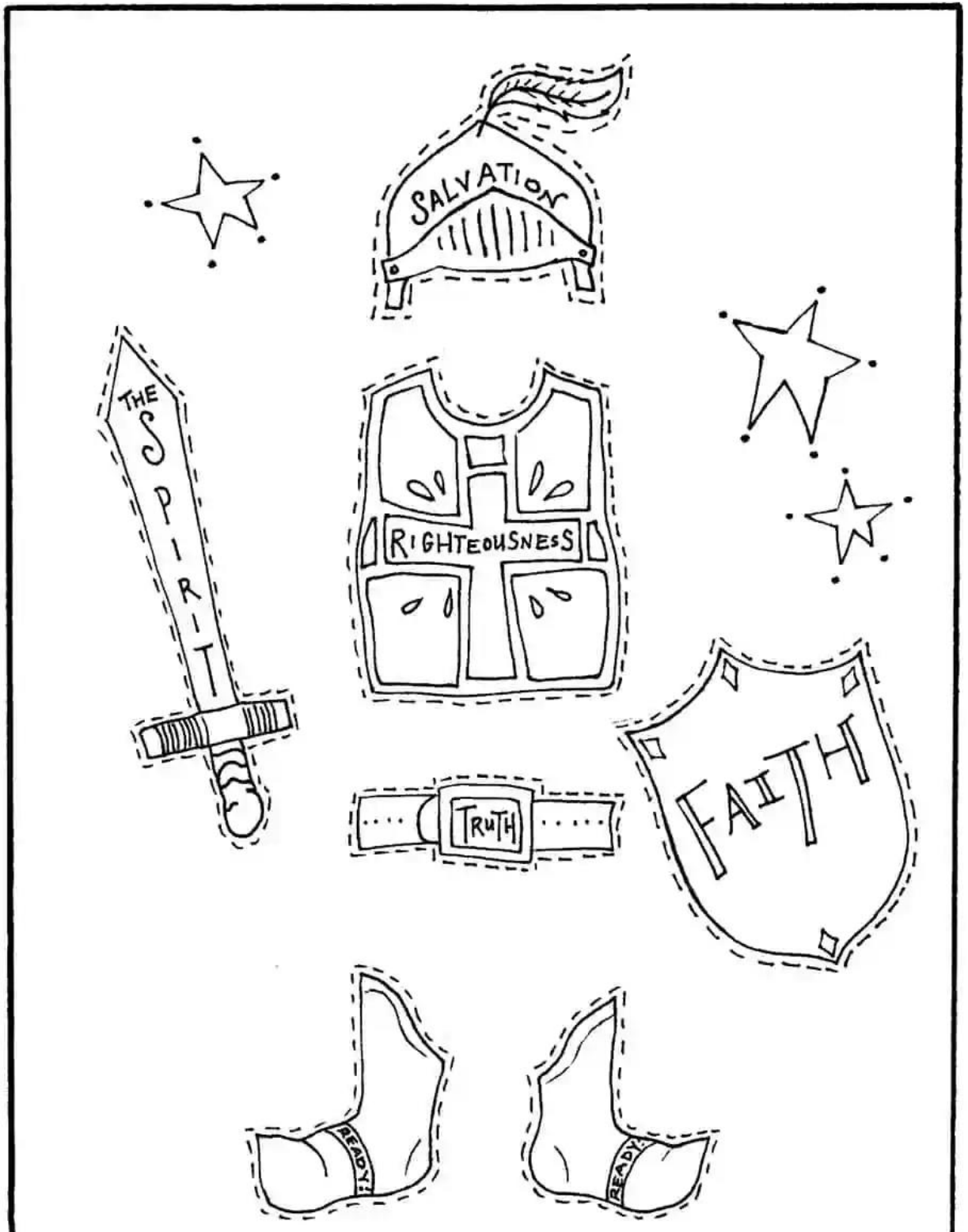
PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



The Armour of God

Ephesians 6:10-17



Pray, Pray, Pray!

Ephesians 6:18–20



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



How many times is the word “**all**” used in Ephesians 6:18?



What does this imply for my prayer life?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

What can I do to maintain my focus on God at all times and be in a praying attitude?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



An Undying Love

Ephesians 6:21–24



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- Tychicus often acted as a messenger for Paul (Colossians 4:7; Titus 2:12), carrying Paul's letters as well as personal messages and encouragement.
- Who do I know personally who serves a similar message-bearing role today?
- How can I appreciate them?
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APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Lord Jesus, I thank You for the
 "Tychicus" You send to comfort

 and encourage me in times of

 need. May I, with the help of the

 Holy Spirit, draw nearer to You

 each and every day. In

_____ Jesus' name. Amen.



Book of Colossians



Who wrote this book?

Paul

Why was this book written?

Colossians shows that Jesus is supreme and that He saves us completely.

For whom was this book written?

This book is a letter written to Christians at Colosse.

What are some important teachings in this book?

Jesus is supreme

Colossians 1:15-20

Jesus forgives our sins

Colossians 2:13-15

How to live a holy life

Colossians 3:12-17

Spring from the Hope

Colossians 1:1–8



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

■ What is the source of the faith and love that the Colossian church (and the whole world, as in Colossians 1:6) have?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

How can I share God's Word today?

PRAYER

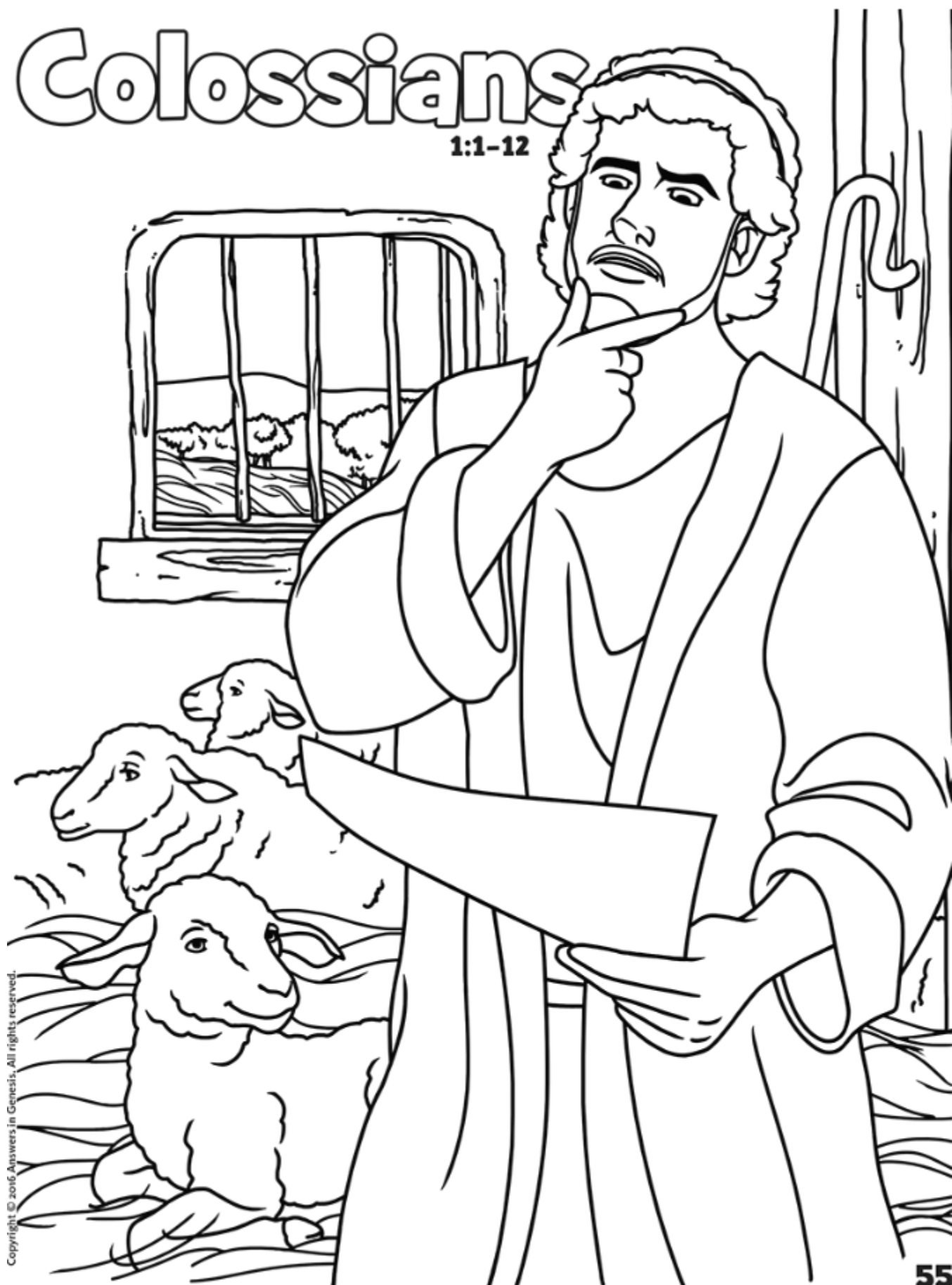
Offer a prayer in response.

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Colossians

1:1-12



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Preacher

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Sermon Title and Scriptures



Lessons from the sermon



My response in prayer



Prayers for the Colossians

Colossians 1:9–14



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

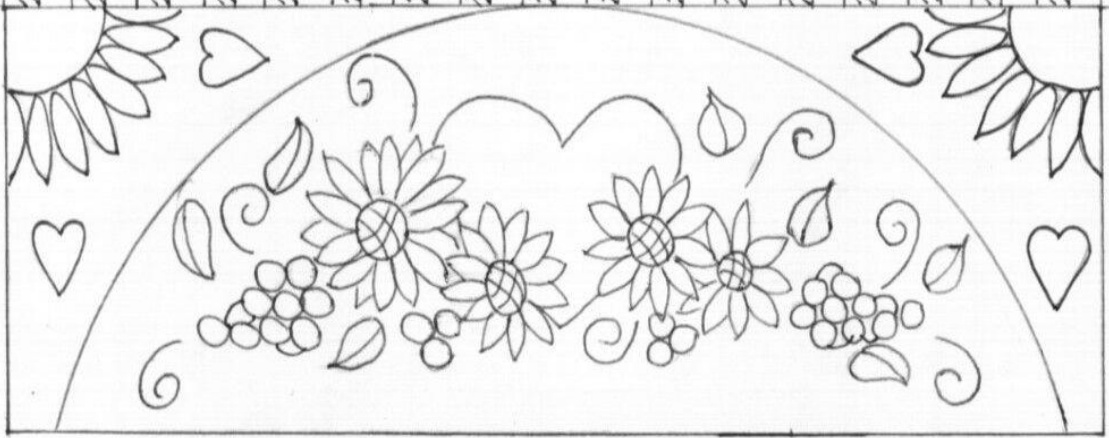
Have I lived a life worthy of the Lord?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

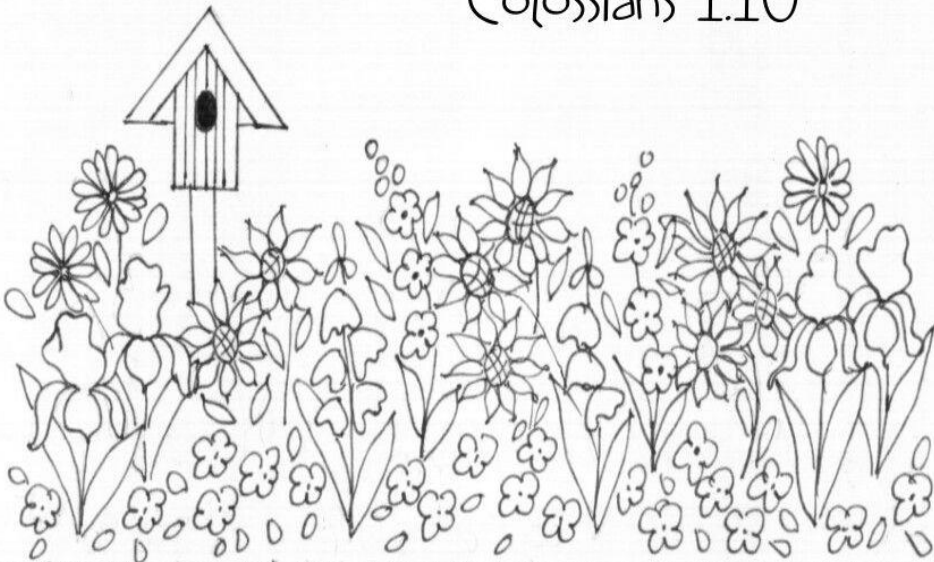
Dear Jesus, I thank You for the Holy Spirit, who gives wisdom and understanding. Amen.





That you may walk worthy of the Lord,
Fully pleasing Him,
Being fruitful in every good work
And increasing in the knowledge of God.

Colossians 1:10



Supremacy of the Son of God

Colossians 1:15–20



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?

Supremacy means highest authority or greatest power



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

The supreme Christ reconciled all things in heaven and on earth to God. This includes us. Is there a friend or relative who is yet to experience this reconciliation whom I can pray for?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Christ's Gospel, through His Servant

Colossians 1:21–26

Being with JESUS
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SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



We are responsible to continue in the faith of the true gospel because we have received the blessings of reconciliation through Christ.



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

How can I follow Paul's example to become a servant of God? Who can I bring the gospel (Good News) to today?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Christ in You, Hope of Glory

Colossians 1:27–28



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

■ What does being fully mature in Christ mean?
One whose character—disposition, words, and actions—emulates the character of Jesus Christ Himself.



APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

Have I been maturing and leading others along the way?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Contending for You

Colossians 1:29–2:5



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- Paul's goal is that the believers might be encouraged and find unity in love;
- **so that** they might have the full riches of complete understanding and that they might know Christ fully.
- **so that** no one may deceive them with fine-sounding arguments.
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APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

How closely does my life reflect Paul's goal?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Rooted in Christ

Colossians 2:6–10



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

Who can I build up in Christ today?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Lord Jesus, grant me the wisdom

to know the truth and not to be

deceived by wrong teaching.

Amen.



Sermon Notes

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Preacher

Draw something inspired by the worship, prayer or sermon.



Sermon Title and Scriptures



Lessons from the sermon



My response in prayer



Circumcised by Christ

Colossians 2:11–15



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

■ Romans 5:8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.



We were in the bondage of sin.



Christ paid our debt with his blood that was shed for us on the cross to reconcile us to our Father in Heaven.



APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

What truths can I learn from today's passage about my indebtedness and sin?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Do Not Let Anyone...

Colossians 2:16–19



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



What are the two things we should not let anyone do, according to this passage?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Dear God, I pray for wisdom and
strength to cling tightly to Your
Word and not the word of man.
In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.



Appearance of Wisdom

Colossians 2:20–23



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- Rules about avoiding certain foods or avoiding work on certain days may sound good and wise. They might make it look like we have power over our bodies, but they cannot break the power of sin. Only Christ can do that, and he has done it fully and effectively on the cross.
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APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Dear God, may I live in a way

that demonstrates that I am part

of the new creation in Christ and

one with Him in thought, word,

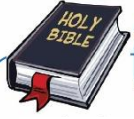
and deed. This I ask in Jesus'

name, Amen.



Set Your Hearts and Minds on Things Above

Colossians 3:1-4



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

■ Paul is about to encourage the Colossians to live differently, but in today's passage, he focuses first on thinking differently. Why does he do this?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

What are some old habits that I find it hard to let go of? How should being raised with Christ help me to change?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Take it Off

Colossians 3:5–11



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



As we have died with Christ, so too must our earthly nature die. Colossians 3:5 focuses on inner desires and motivations that displease God. Do I need God's help today with any of these?




APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Put Off

YOUR OLD SELF

Put On

THE NEW SELF



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Put it On

Colossians 3:12-17



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- We tend to mess things up on our own. We sin and make mistakes, and those sins can be like big, yucky stains. We might act greedy or selfish, or get angry and say mean things to other people. If we try to fix that on our own, we usually wind up making things worse or falling right back into those negative habits. It makes our lives pretty messy! But thanks be to God, Jesus offers us new hope. The Bible says that we can rid ourselves of those old things and "put on a new self," which gives us new life.

APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

We can give those sinful stains to Jesus and instead accept the grace and forgiveness He offers! Jesus takes on our guilt and gives us new life. He trades our messy things for beautiful ones and makes us a new creation. We can "clothe ourselves" with good things like compassion, humility, kindness, gentleness, and patience. It happens when we give ourselves to God and let Jesus live through us.

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Dear God,

Thank you for giving us new life in

Jesus and for taking away our

sinful stains. Help us to trust in You

and live clothed in the good

things! In Jesus' name,

Amen.

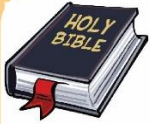


Sermon Notes

4 JUN

Preacher

Draw something inspired by the worship, prayer or sermon.



Sermon Title and Scriptures



Lessons from the sermon



My response in prayer



There is No Favouritism

Colossians 3:18–4:1



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



What are the instructions for Christian households from today's reading?



APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

As a child, how can I apply Colossians 3:20 in my life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Pray, Do, Talk

Colossians 4:2–6



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?

Devote

Meaning: Give all or most of one's time or resources to (a person or activity).



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Dear God,

Help me to devote myself to prayer,
being watchful and thankful always.

In Jesus' name, Amen.



Farewells and Greetings

Colossians 4:7-18



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

■ How does Paul describe Tychicus and Onesimus?



■ Colossians 4:17 is a specific message and instruction for a specific person. As I read it, do I also hear the Spirit speaking to me?




APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Book of Philippians



Who wrote this book?

Paul

Why was this book written?

Philippians thanks the people for their love and gifts and gives them instructions on how to live good Christian lives.

For whom was this book written?

This book was written about A.D 61 from Rome, where Paul was in prison.

What are some important teachings in this book?

Live as good Christians

Philippians 1:27–30

Live a humble life

Philippians 2:1–4

How Jesus was humble

Philippians 2:5–11

The Christian's goal

Philippians 3:12–16

How to be at peace

Philippians 4:4–7

Think about good things

Philippians 4:8–9

Start with Thanksgiving

Philippians 1:1–8



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- This was a letter written by Paul to a church in another place. Paul was actually in prison while he wrote it, but he thought very highly of the Philippian people. They had helped him a lot, and his words to them are full of joy and thankful memories. He opens up by expressing how much he appreciates these Philippian friends.
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APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

Paul is thankful for these people. He says here that every time he remembers them, he gives thanks to God and does so with joy. Even though Paul is far from these people and in jail, he can still rejoice and give thanks, and he knows that the Philippian church is continuing to do God's work. How can you show your appreciation to God's family today?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Prayers for the Philippians

Philippians 1:9-11



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- Paul has a special prayer for the Philippians. He wants them to continue to love each other and grow in that love. He wants them to grow in love for Christ, too. And he wants them to be wise and discerning. This means making good choices and acting in ways that honor the Lord. God will bless them with "spiritual fruit" so that their lives reflect His. These are wonderful things, but they don't come from our own power! It's the work of the Holy Spirit that produces this love and life in our interactions and encounters.
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APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

Paul showed his love for the Philippians by praying for them. He prayed that they will grow and mature in their walk with God. You can pray for people you love too.

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



In Every Way Christ is Preached

Philippians 1:12–18



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- Paul said that some preach Christ out of envy and rivalry, but others out of goodwill and love, knowing that he was put in prison for the defense of the gospel. To Paul, the important thing is that in every way, whether from false motives or true ones, Christ is preached. And because of this, he rejoiced.
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APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Sermon Notes

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Preacher

Draw something inspired by the worship, prayer or sermon.



Sermon Title and Scriptures



Lessons from the sermon



My response in prayer



Christ Will be Exalted

Philippians 1:19–26



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- Paul provides a transparent glimpse into the struggle between his own flesh and spirit as he wrestled with the majesty of heaven compared to this fallen world. Knowing he was born-again, Paul longed to spend eternity with Jesus.
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APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

Do I prefer to live for Christ or die and be with Him?
Which do I fear more?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Conduct Worthy of the Gospel of Christ

Philippians 1:27-30



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



What are the standards of conduct worthy of the gospel of Christ that Paul lists in Philippians 1:27-28?




APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Humility Over Selfishness/Vanity

Philippians 2:1–4



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- Paul is trying to remind the Philippians not to do anything out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility, value others above themselves, not looking to their own interests but to the interests of others.
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APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

It is important to think of others as more important or valuable than us, not because we don't have value, but because God loves all of us. He wants us to live in harmony with each other by demonstrating care. When we have this kind of attitude, we stand out among the crowd.

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



The Mind of Christ

Philippians 2:5–11



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?

Humility means being humble. The attitude of someone who is not proud.



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- Paul encouraged the Philippians to have the same mindset as Christ Jesus in their relationships with one another.
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APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

How can we remember to practice humility?

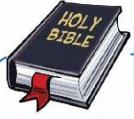
PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Rejoicing Over Grumbling and Arguing

Philippians 2:12–18



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- What does Paul say about avoiding negative comments? It makes us stand out. It makes us “shine like stars” because
- people will notice something different. And it’s true. If
- everyone around you is whining and you show a better spirit, people will notice and will genuinely appreciate it. So
- what does Paul suggest we do instead? He mentions that he is willing to offer himself and sacrifice his own service.
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APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

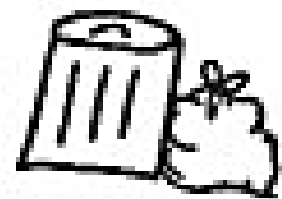
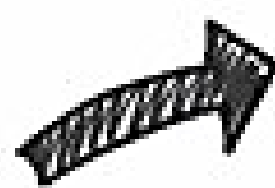
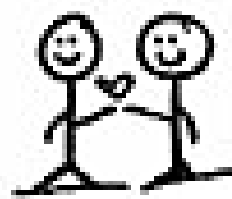
Rather than grumbling, we are to rejoice. We are glad and rejoice in what comes our way. It is awfully hard to whine when you are thinking about gratitude. Instead of negative grumbling, we can be thankful. We focus our minds on what is true, pure, lovely, and admirable—that is how we can eliminate the whine press.

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



"Do everything
without arguing
or complaining."



- Philipians 2:14

Sending the Soldiers Back

Philippians 2:19–30



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- Timothy and Epaphroditus are proof that the gospel is real. I mean why else work so hard and suffer and put others' interest above your own?
- What is Timothy's outstanding quality according to Paul? What servant of Christ do I know who reflects this quality? How can I pray for him or her today?
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APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

The short details given of Epaphroditus' story here reflect both his qualities as well as what he has endured. Paul instructs the Philippians to welcome him with honour. How are we as a church to treat God's soldiers when they return from their long (or short) sacrificial service?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

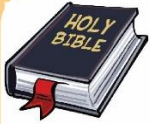


Sermon Notes

18 JUN

Preacher

Draw something inspired by the worship, prayer or sermon.



Sermon Title and Scriptures



Lessons from the sermon



My response in prayer



Put No Confidence in the Flesh

Philippians 3:1–6



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- Paul started as a Jew, who persecuted Christians. He thought if he followed the law he could earn God's favour.
- After discovering Jesus, Paul realized that none of the things he had done were enough. It only mattered that he knew Jesus and let Jesus control his life.
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APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

Sometimes it seems like we need to talk about ourselves or tell others what we have done. But there is only one thing we should be boasting about, and that's our relationship with God. It's not our own power we should brag about. The only thing we have at the end of the day is Jesus, and we want to make sure He is our first and foremost focus.

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Pressing on Toward the Goal

Being with JESUS
TUESDAY
20 JUN

Philippians 3:7–14



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



Paul admits that he used to place his identify and hope in what he could do. He thought his own righteousness could save him.



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

We cannot earn any sort of heavenly prize, ultimately. We can't do enough for that. When we "press on to make it my own", it means that we focus on God as the biggest element in our faith. We do want to work hard, but that doesn't mean we are in control. We have to let God have control as we tell HIM that we know He is in charge, and ask for His help in every action we do.

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Lord Jesus, help me to look

to You and draw strength from

You and not my own each day.

In Jesus' name, I pray, Amen.



I Press on
TOWARD
THE
goal

TO WIN
THE



FOR
WHICH

God has
called me
HEAVENWARD
in CHRIST JESUS

PHILIPPIANS 3:14

Our Citizenship is in Heaven

Philippians 3:15–4:1



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- As follower of Jesus, our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables Him to bring everything under His control, will transform our lowly bodies so that we will be like His glorious body.
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APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

As we eagerly await our Saviour's return (Come Lord Jesus!), let us take some time to express our eagerness in song, either alone or with our spiritual family members.

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Reconciling within Christ's Body

Philippians 4:2–3



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

■ Euodia and Syntyche are two women who were workers in the church. But they were having trouble agreeing on something. Paul told the church to help them.



APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

Is there someone in the family of God whom I need to reconcile with today?

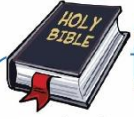
PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Sanctified Heart

Philippians 4:4–7



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?

Anxious is feeling or showing worry, nervousness.



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- What attitude does Paul tell believers to have? (Rejoice) Who are believers to rejoice in? (The Lord) When are believers supposed to rejoice? (Always)
- How often does Paul tell believers they should allow anxiety to control their hearts? (Never) What does he tell us to do when we are anxious? (Pray) When we pray about everything what will God fill our hearts with and guard our minds with? (The peace of God)

APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

Making a quiet time with God a priority is about being able to walk in obedience and victory with Jesus. It's not about adding something to your schedule so you can be prideful that you had a quiet time. Your quiet time should affect your heart. By reading and obeying God's Word you are filling it with thoughts about God and His way. By doing this you are guarding your heart.

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Sanctified Head (Mind)

Philippians 4:8–13



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- Often, it is easy for people to think bad thoughts. Many times we have bad thoughts because we've put bad things into our minds, perhaps by watching a violent movie, playing with friends who use rough language, or listening to a certain type of music.

APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

What does God want us to think about? (vs 8-9)

How would these things we are to think about change what we watch, listen to, and read?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

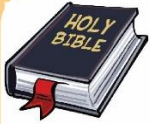


Sermon Notes

25 JUN

Preacher

Draw something inspired by the worship, prayer or sermon.



Sermon Title and Scriptures



Lessons from the sermon

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My response in prayer



Sanctified Hands

Philippians 4:14–19



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- What did the Philippians share with Paul (Verse 14)?
- Out of all the churches Paul had ministered to, how many sent him aid (verse 15)?
- What are some needs that you have in your life right now? How does God's promise to supply all your needs (verse 19) comfort you?

APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

What are you doing to help those who are serving God?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Greetings from All

Philippians 4:20–23



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- Paul ends this letter starting with a doxology in Philippians 4:20. When have I last privately given glory to God? Can I pause now and praise God from whom all blessings flow?
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APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

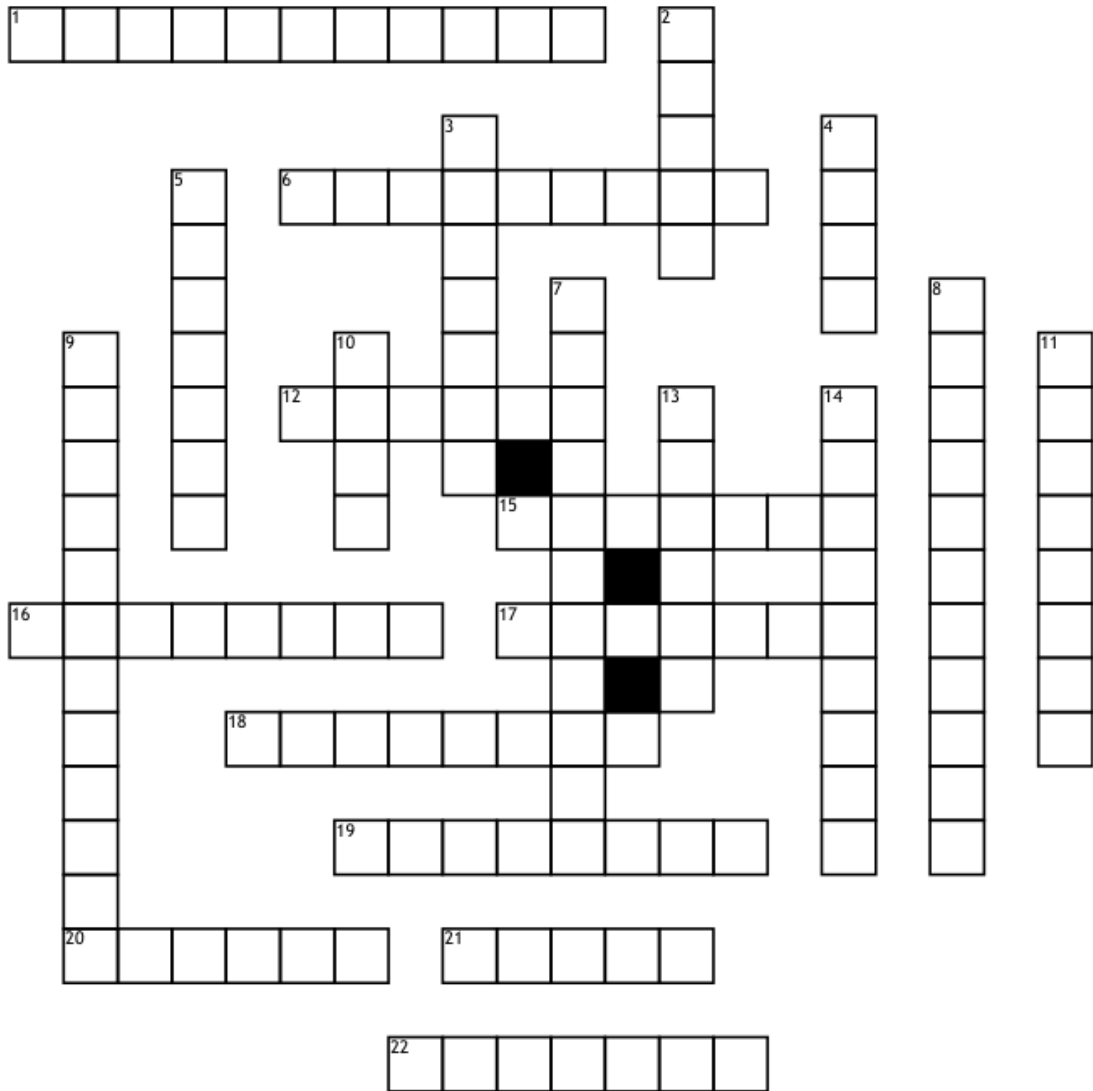
Paul then sends greetings to and from various parts of Christ's body. When was the last time I greeted and met with other Christians who were not from my local church?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Philippians



Across

1. Philippians 1:3-5
6. An excuse Paul uses for repeating himself
12. Receives greetings in ch. 4
15. _____ in the Lord always!
16. If you are not sure what to do with your lives what should you do
17. Philippians 4:6
18. A behavior Paul sees in the lives of the people in the church
19. Philippians 2:4

20. Another word for duolos
21. Where does Paul look for achieving "righteousness"
22. Partner and friend of Paul

Down

2. Philippians 4:20
3. The ranking below the priest in the church
4. A motive that prompted people to preach the gospel
5. Tone of voice for the letter to the church in Philippi
7. What is a result for Paul praying for the christians
8. Philippians 3:19

9. Was promised by Paul for the church in Philippi
10. Wrote the book of Philippians
11. Philippians 4:13
13. A person causing a problem in the church
14. A supervisor in the church

Book of Philemon



Who wrote this book?

Paul

Why was this book written?

This book asks Philemon to welcome back a runaway slave named Onesimus, who had become a Christian.

For whom was this book written?

This book is a personal letter sent to a Christian named Philemon.

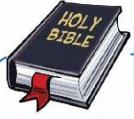
When was this book written?

Philemon was written about A.D. 60 while Paul was in prison in Rome.

Greetings to Philemon's Church

Being with JESUS
WEDNESDAY
28 JUN

Philemon 1:1–7



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

- This letter is written to one man (Philemon), but the greetings also address the church he hosts. Why does Paul address a private matter (the former slave Onesimus) in a public letter? What can I learn here about community and shared responsibility?
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APPLICATION




How can you apply this to your life?

What is my relationship with others in my faith community? Do I trust the church family? How can we deepen our relationships?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



My Son Onesimus

Philemon 1:8-16








SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?

-  What is the attitude which Paul is showing towards Philemon in today's passage? What is the basis of his appeal to Philemon (Philemon 1:8 and 1:14)?
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-  Why does Paul address Onesimus as "my son Onesimus" and "my very heart"?
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APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.



Even More than Paul Asks

Philemon 1:17–25



SCRIPTURES

What words and phrases stand out for you?



OBSERVATION

What are the lessons of this passage?



Why is Paul so confident that Philemon will do even more than he asks? Do I have the same confidence in my local church family?



APPLICATION



How can you apply this to your life?

PRAYER

Offer a prayer in response.

Lord Jesus, I pray for church

members to forgive one another

and be reconciled to each

other. In Jesus' name, Amen.





Help Onesimus return to Philemon

