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The US in Onesimus • Colossians 4:7-9

⁷Tychicus will tell you all about my activities. He is a beloved brother and faithful minister and fellow servant in the Lord. ⁸I have sent him to you for this very purpose, that you may know how we are and that he may encourage your hearts, ⁹and with him Onesimus, our faithful and beloved brother, who is one of you. They will tell you of everything that has taken place here. (Colossians 4:7-9)

The US in Onesimus

- Onesimus was a SLAVE. (Philemon 16/Romans 6:6)
- Onesimus becomes a part of the family of God. (Philemon 10, 16/Galatians 4:7)
- Paul sends Onesimus back into the setting of his old life. (Philemon 12/Matthew 28:16-20)
- Paul exhorts Colossae to forgive Onesimus and receive him as FAMILY. (Philemon 16/Ephesians 4:32)
- Paul commits to paying for any damages that Onesimus' mistakes may have created. (Philemon 19/Colossians 1:21-22)

Big Take-Away:

The Gospel sees conflict as an OPPORTUNITY to reveal the love and forgiveness of Jesus.

Colossians Big Take-Aways:

- WORSHIP & SURRENDER TO CHRIST'S LORDSHIP
- CHRIST'S WORK ON THE CROSS IS ENOUGH
- PURSUE A GROWTH & MATURITY IN CHRIST

What has God lovingly challenged you with in the book of Colossians?