

P H I L E M O N

THE POWER TO CHANGE THE WORLD

Change The Relationship

Philemon 8-25

To change the relationship, see him...

- 1) Not as a slave but as a son.
- 2) Not as a problem but as a brother.
- 3) Not as an adversary but as a partner.

Changed relationships change the world.

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My Application

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or small group.

- 1) Do you believe that God has a plan for your life? Do you feel you know what that plan is? How could God use your life to make a change in the world?
- 2) Read Paul's appeal to Philemon in verses 8-21. What stands out to you in the way Paul feels about people? Compare his approach with your personal relationships.
- 3) How is the gospel being lived out in the relationship Paul has with Philemon? In the request he is making?
- 4) Evaluate the statement, "changed relationships change the world." What relationship is God calling you to invest in?



Memory Verse

"Perhaps the reason he was separated from you for a little while was that you might have him back for good – no longer as a slave, but better than a slave, as a dear brother. He is very dear to me but even dearer to you, both as a man and as a brother in the Lord."

Philemon 15-16