

Philemon: Relationships In Christ

“So Peter opened his mouth and said, ‘Truly I understand that God shows no partiality.’ Acts 10:34 (English Standard Version)

2 Corinthians 5:17 - Our view of _____ must become _____.

Relationships Beginning With Christ

A. Changed relationships relating to Christ:

1. 1:1,9,23 - Both Paul and _____ were _____ because of their devotion to Christ.
2. 1:6 - Things are now done “for the _____ of Christ”.
3. 1:8 - Paul had _____ now that he was in Christ.
4. 1:20 - “In the _____” was to be motivation for Philemon.

B. “In Christ” - where change begins:

1. John 20:28 - Seeing Jesus as _____ changes everything.
2. 2 Corinthians 8:5 - They _____ themselves _____ to the Lord.
3. Galatians 2:20 - It is now Christ who _____ in us.

Relationships With Other Christians

A. Christian relationships in Philemon:

1. 1:1,2 - Because of Christ, Timothy was Paul’s _____.
2. 1:7 - There is both a _____ and an _____ effect from Philemon’s actions toward the saints.
3. 1:13,14 - Philemon’s response should be of his own _____.

B. “In Christ” our view of the church changes:

1. Ephesians 2:19 - We’re members of God’s _____.
2. Romans 12:10 - We _____ with _____ affection.
3. 2 Corinthians 8:16 - We have _____ care for Christians.

Relationships With Other Classes

A. A changed view of “class”:

1. 1:10 - Onesiphus was a name given to many _____.
2. 1:12 - Paul sent to Philemon “my very _____”.
3. 1:15,16 - Philemon was to see Onesimus as a _____.
4. 1:17-19 - Paul _____ with Onesimus.

B. Being in Christ leads us to see others as equals.:

1. Acts 10:34,35 - God shows no _____.
2. Galatians 3:28 - We are all _____ in _____ Jesus.
3. John 7:37 - _____ is invited to come _____.

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