



THE BOOK OF COLOSSIANS

#15 In Conclusion...It's Personal!

Colossians 4:2-18

1. Personal **PRAYER**

²Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful. ³And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. ⁴Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should.

2. Personal Relationships With **OUTSIDERS**

⁵Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. ⁶Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

3. Personal Relationships With **INSIDERS** vv.7-14

(H/T to Pastor Steve for this section)

Tychicus – the loyal and trustworthy teammate v.7-8

Onesimus – the teammate with a **SINFUL PAST** v.9

Aristarchus – the burden-sharing teammate v.10

Mark – the faltering teammate who got **RESTORED** v.10

Jesus Justus – the teammate with rock-solid commitment v.11

Epaphras – the praying teammate with a **PASTOR'S** heart v.12-13

Luke – the teammate with a specialized function v.14

Demas – the teammate who would **DEFECT** v.14

4. Personal Greeting/Postscript

¹⁵Give my greetings to the brothers and sisters at Laodicea, and to Nympha and the church in her house. ¹⁶After this letter has been read to you, see that it is also read in the church of the Laodiceans and that you in turn read the letter from Laodicea. ¹⁷Tell Archippus: "See to it that you complete the ministry you have received in the Lord." ¹⁸I, Paul, write this greeting in my own hand. Remember my chains. Grace be with you.

Colossians Summary Statement:

May Christ be **CENTRAL** and **SUPREME** in all of life for each of us.

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