

## S1 (For Reading and Intro)

### Colossians 4:7-18

#### S2

7 Tychicus will tell you all about my activities. He is a **beloved brother** and **faithful minister** and **fellow servant** in the Lord. <sup>8</sup>I have sent him to you for this very purpose, that you may know how we are and that he may encourage your hearts,

- Tychicus ([Acts 20:4](#), [Ephesians 6:21](#), [Colossians 4:7](#), [2 Timothy 4:12](#), [Titus 3:12](#))

- He was a servant (He was a pastor or delivery boy) -

- Was the deliverer of Philemon, Colossians and Ephesians

#### S3

9 and with him Onesimus, **our faithful and beloved brother, who is one of you**. They will tell you of everything that has taken place here.

- Onesimus was a slave

- Becomes a leader in the church

#### S4

10 Aristarchus my **fellow prisoner** greets you,

- Aristarchus stayed with Paul no matter what the circumstances were (Acts 19, 27).

- He was with Paul for 3 years in Ephesus

- He was imprisoned

#### S5

and **Mark** the cousin of Barnabas (concerning whom you have received instructions—if he comes to you, **welcome him**),

- Mark is a cousin of Barnabas

- Do You remember Mark? (Acts 13)

- He deserted Paul

- Paul would not travel with Mark (Acts 15:37)

### **Notice the redemptive end:**

1. V.10 (if he comes to you, welcome him)
2. Writes of the gospels
3. 2 Tim. 4:11 (please write out)

### **S6**

11 and **Jesus who is called Justus**. These are the only **men of the circumcision** among my fellow workers for the kingdom of God, and **they have been a comfort to me**.

- A Jew that swims upstream
- He served the Lord and he was an encouragement to Paul
- **Comfort:** The root means a medicine that lessens pain

### **S7**

**12 Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ Jesus**, greets you, always **struggling on your behalf in his prayers**, that you **may stand mature and fully assured in all the will of God**. <sup>13</sup>For I bear him witness that he has worked hard for you and for those in Laodicea and in Hierapolis.

- He was the evangelist who first launched the church in Colossae
- He is called a “servant of Christ.”
- His prayer life is mentioned

### **S8**

**14 Luke the beloved physician greets you,**

- Luke is a doctor (Paul personal physician?)
- He and Paul were close because toward the end of his life and in his final imprisonment [2 Tim. 4:11](#)

### **S9**

**as does Demas.**

- Demas started out great (Philemon 23)
- Nothing mentioned of his character

- He doesn't finish well [2 Tim. 4:10](#)

### S10

15 Give my greetings to the brothers at Laodicea, and to **Nympha** and the church **in her house**.

### S11

<sup>16</sup> And when this letter has been read among you, have it also read in the church of the Laodiceans; and see that you also read the letter from Laodicea. <sup>17</sup> And say to **Archippus**, “**See that you fulfill the ministry that you have received in the Lord.**”

- Many scholars believe the Laodicean letter is Ephesians.

- Perhaps Archippus was discouraged

Do you think the rest of the letter encouraged him?

### S12

This Passage Reminds Us:

- That the Journey is about people
- To be a light where you are and with what you have
- To remember this is a journey
- To leave a legacy

Will you leave a Legacy **in Christ**?