



Philemon – The Illustration

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PHILEMON	PAUL	ONESIMUS
<i>The offended</i>	<i>The mediator</i>	<i>The offender</i>
<i>The one robbed</i>	<i>The reconciler</i>	<i>The robber</i>
<i>The one owed</i>	<i>The one who will pay</i>	<i>The one who owes</i>
<i>The one demanding justice</i>	<i>The one working justice</i>	<i>The one deserving justice</i>
<i>The one who chooses to forgive</i>	<i>The one who makes forgiveness possible</i>	<i>The one who needs forgiveness</i>
God	Jesus	Me

1. The **central** truth of Christianity

2. The three **charge accounts** in the Bible

3. Seeing **ourselves** in this picture

NEXT STEPS

- Memorize Philemon 17-19a.
- Find your place in the story.
- Share the Gospel story!
- Join the **Immerse** journey through the Gospels (begins January 23).

DISCOVERY QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY OR GROUP DISCUSSION

Check-In: Since we last met, how did your "I will..." and sharing go?

1. What are you thankful for? What challenge or stress are you facing? Do you know anyone who needs help at this time? As a group, how can we help?
2. Read [Colossians 4:2-18](#) together (at least twice), and take turns retelling it in your own words as if sharing with a friend who isn't here.
3. What stands out to you and why? What do these verses tell us about God? What do these verses tell us about humanity/about us?
4. If this is God speaking, how will you apply it to your life?
(Share a specific: "I will...")
5. Who will you share with before we meet again?
*(Name a specific person you plan to **share with**.)*

If you'd like to learn more about the discovery group process, connect with marcus@oakwoodnow.org