Philemon

‘Fellowship in Christ’

- Opening Address (1-3)
- Prayer (4-7)
- Main Request (8-20)
- Closing Greetings (21-25)

Does the Bible condemn slavery?

- Law of Moses
- New Testament

What is Onesimus’s story?

- A runaway slave (who stole from Philemon?)

What does Paul request?

- Onesimus’s emancipation?
  
  No
  
  - Then what?
New Testament Epistles

Paul’s Epistles

-Romans
-1 Corinthians
-2 Corinthians
-Galatians
-Ephesians
-Philippians
-Colossians
-1 Thessalonians
-2 Thessalonians

(Pastoral Epistles)
-1 Timothy
-2 Timothy
-Titus

-Philemon

General Epistles

-Hebrews
-James
-1 Peter
-2 Peter
-1 John
-2 John
-3 John
-Jude
Colossians 4:7-9
As to all my affairs, Tychicus our beloved brother and faithful servant and fellow bond-servant in the Lord, will bring you information. For I have sent him to you for this very purpose, that you may know about our circumstances and that he may encourage your hearts; and with him Onesimus, our faithful and beloved brother, who is one of your number. They will inform you about the whole situation here.

1 Timothy 1:9-11
Realizing the fact that law is not made for a righteous person, but for those who are lawless and rebellious, for the ungodly and sinners, for the unholy and profane, for those who kill their fathers or mothers, for murderers and immoral men and homosexuals and kidnappers and liars and perjurers, and whatever else is contrary to sound teaching, according to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, with which I have been entrusted.

Exodus 21:16
He who kidnaps a man, whether he sells him or he is found in his possession, shall surely be put to death.
Romans 12:15  
Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep.

1 Corinthians 12:26  
And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it.

2 Corinthians 11:28  
Apart from such external things, there is the daily pressure on me of concern for all the churches. Who is weak without my being weak? Who is led into sin without my intense concern?

Ephesians 4:12-15  
. . .to the building up of the body of Christ; until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ. . .we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ.

Romans 15:7  
Therefore, accept on another, just as Christ also accepted us to the glory of God.