Philemon 1-25

I. Sanctity of Life Sunday

- A. Nothing is more normal than treating some people as less than persons.
- B. What is the right response? (Titus 3:1-3; Psalm 94:20; 141:6).

II. Philemon and Onesimus

- A. A "prison letter" from Rome, delivered with the Epistle to the Colossians
- B. The runaway: Onesimus
- C. An inconvenient conversion (Titus 3:4-5).

III. Slaves, Women, Prisoners, and Children

- A. Talking to slaves like they're people (1 Corinthians 7:21–23; Ephesians 6:5–8; Colossians 3:22; 1 Timothy 6:1; Titus 2:9-10)
- B. Equality in the church (1 Corinthians 12:13; Galatians 3:28; Colossians 3:11).
- C. "Good news to the poor." (Luke 4:18; Acts 8:26-40; Isaiah 52:13-53:12; 56:1-8).
- D. God's child (and Paul's) (Matthew 18:4-5)
- E. Christians and the protection of unborn human persons

IV. How to Talk about Abortion

- A. Gently
- B. Individually
- C. Leading to Christ (Revelation 3:20; Matthew 10:16, 40; 12:20; 21:5; Ephesians 2:14; Philippians 2:7-8)

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