Philemon: How Grace Can Transform Relationships Handout #4 / 2-02-2014

## **HOW GRACE TRANSFORMED A MAN Pt.2**

And it Can Transform You Too! (Philemon 3 -7)

<b>A.</b> T	he P	ERSONAL GREETINGS (1-3)	
<b>B.</b> T	he P	PRAISE of PHILEMON for what God was doing in and through him. (	(4-7)
1.	W	Then Paul thought of Philemon, it caused him to	(vs.4a)
	•	How is that true and not true regarding some people in your life? How about of you?	t when others think
	•	What repeatedly factored into Paul's thinking when it came to God's blessin believers?	gs, even of other
2.	H	is thanks for Philemon were expressed to God especially by means of	(vs.4b)
	•	Do you do this toward God, and do you express it to others?	
	•	How would this have encouraged Philemon?	
3.		That specifically caused Paul to be thankful were Philemon's ongoing	
		and his	(vs.5)
	•	Are these important in your Christian life?	
	•	How do they go together?	
	•	Can someone thank God for you regarding this?	

4.		Philemon was that "the					
	become more	toward others	by him gaining an				
	of every good	which belongs to him	1	." (vs.6)			
	• Note how one's vertical walk of faith and spiritual growth in grace based upon their position and possessions in Christ overflows toward others for their blessing and Christ's glory:						
	• How would this very thing be encouraged by Paul and hopefully embrace by Philemon before this letter is over?						
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5.	Paul experienced	and		for the			
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• How did Paul know of this about Philemon? Was this appropriate to know or not? What should

you remember about your privacy and the privacy of others?