

Philemon

Theme: Brother to Brother

Weekly Reading Schedule

- Sunday - Philemon
- Monday - Philemon
- Tuesday - Philemon
- Wed. - Philemon
- Thurs, - Philemon
- Friday - Philemon
- Saturday - Philemon

Memory Verses:

- ★ Philemon 4
- ★ Philemon 9
- ★ Philemon 10-11
- ★ Philemon 14
- ★ Philemon 20
- ★ Philemon 22

Your choice _____

Interesting Facts

- ❖ Philemon contains 1 chapter, 25 verses, 430 words and can be read by the average person in 3 minutes.
- ❖ The book was written by Paul with Onesimus writing his dictation.
- ❖ Paul was in prison (likely the Roman imprisonment described at the close of Acts).
- ❖ The recipient of the letter, Philemon was married to Apphia.
- ❖ Philemon & Apphia had a son Archippus and the church (at Colossae met in their house).
- ❖ The book of Philemon is:
 - Paul's only one chapter book
 - Paul's shortest book
 - A very personal letter
- ❖ One of Paul's four prison epistles along with Ephesians, Philippians and Colossians

Memorable Outline of Philemon

- I. Salutation (1-3)
- II. Praise for Philemon (4-7)
- III. Summary of the issue: What might be commanded is lovingly requested (8-14)
- IV. God's providence in it (15-16)
- V. Paul's request (16-20)
- VI. Paul's confidence in Philemon (21-22)
- VII. Closing greetings, blessing, and signature (23-25)

Scheme of Redemption The Gospel of Redemption Solves Social Problems

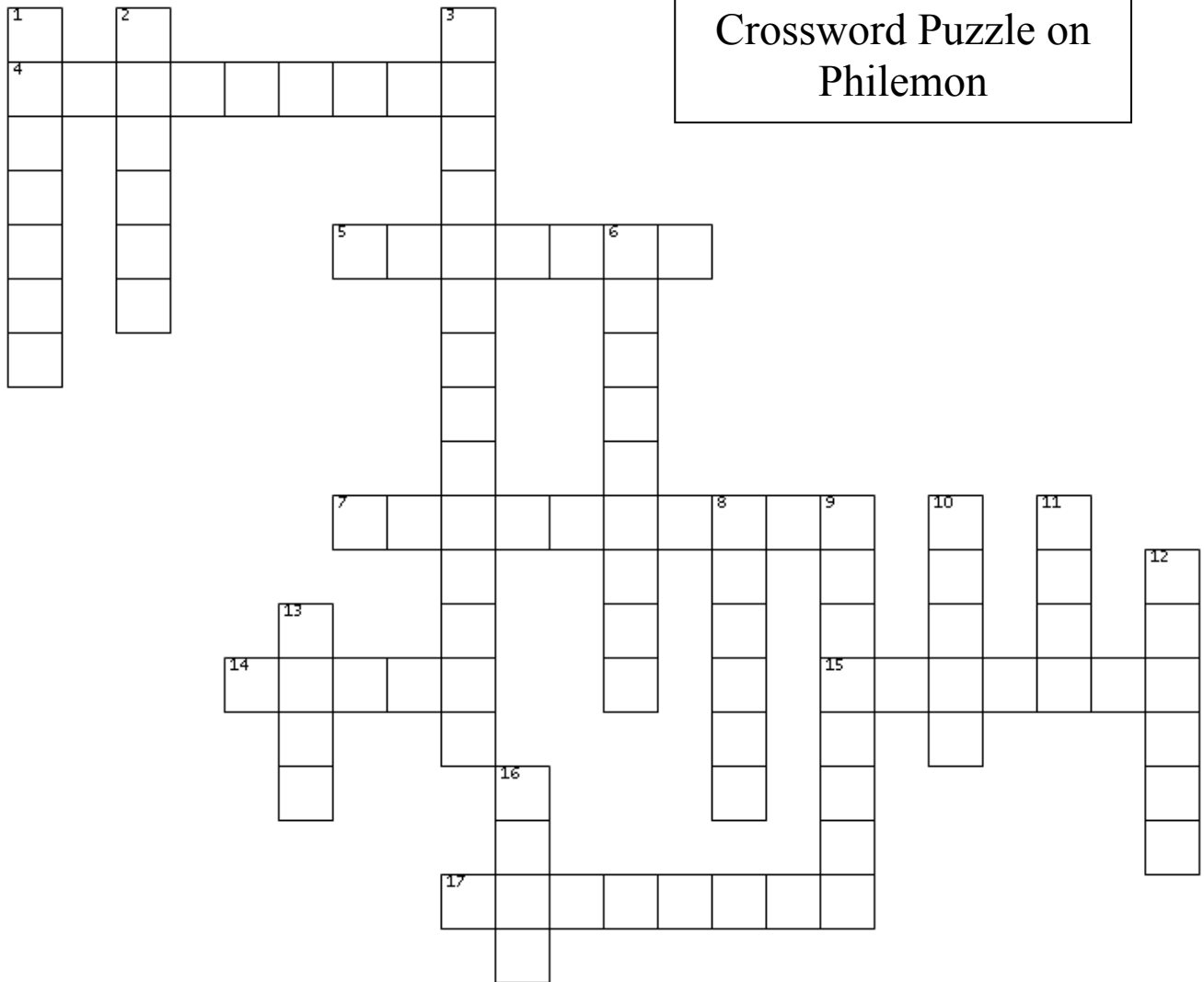
"For perhaps he therefore departed for a season, that thou shouldest receive him for ever; Not now as a servant, but above a servant a brother beloved, specially to me, but how much more unto thee, bothe in the flesh, and in the Lord?" (15-16)

What to Look for as You Read

- **What teaching directly or implied do you see regarding slavery?**
- **What lessons do you see regarding brothers interaction on matters of potential conflict of interests.**
- **What do you think Philemon did in response?**

Notes

Crossword Puzzle on Philemon



ACROSS

4. Having confidence in thy
5. Above a servant, a ___ beloved
7. Now ___ to thee and me
14. To the church in thy
15. Making mention of thee in my
17. I beseech thee for my son

DOWN

1. Prepare me also a
2. He departed for a
3. Philemon our dearly beloved
6. Thy faith may become
8. Refresh my
9. My fellowprisoner
10. We have ___ joy and consolation
11. For love's ___ I beseech thee
12. Receive him as
13. Hearing of thy ___ and faith
16. I Paul have written with my own