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# PHILEMON

**FOLLOW MY EXAMPLE  
AS I FOLLOW THE EXAMPLE  
OF JESUS**

**1 CORINTHIANS 11:1**

**WEEK 2**

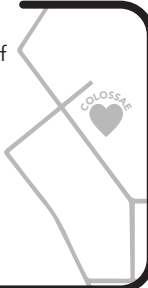
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is one of the shortest books in the Bible. You barely know it's there, but it has a ton to teach us about living like Jesus.



## LOOK IT UP!

Look at the map in the back of your Bible. See if you can find the city of Colossae, where Philemon lived. Draw a heart next to this city to remind you of Philemon and how he had to learn to love like Jesus.



## DID YOU KNOW?

The word "FORGIVE" is mentioned 150 times in the Bible!



## THIS WEEK

We heard this story from Philemon's perspective. Use the space below to write down as many details as you can find about Philemon in this book: Here's a few ideas to get you started...  
*Where was he? What words did Paul use to describe him?*

## TRUTH

Forgive – because you have been forgiven. This is exactly what Philemon needed to learn this week. Grab your Bible and look up the verses below. See if you can fill in the blanks and see what Jesus teaches us about forgiveness:

- \_\_\_\_\_ as the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ you. **Colossians 3:13**
- Do not \_\_\_\_\_ and you will not be \_\_\_\_\_. Do not \_\_\_\_\_ and you will not be \_\_\_\_\_. \_\_\_\_\_ and you will be \_\_\_\_\_. **Luke 6:37**
- \_\_\_\_\_ us our debts as we also \_\_\_\_\_ our debtors. **Matthew 6:12**
- Be \_\_\_\_\_ to one another, tenderhearted, \_\_\_\_\_ one another as God \_\_\_\_\_ you. **Ephesians 4:32**
- Peter asked, "How many times should I forgive. . . ?" Jesus answered, "I tell you not \_\_\_\_\_ times, but \_\_\_\_\_ times." **Matthew 18:21-22**
- Do not let the \_\_\_\_\_ go down while you are still \_\_\_\_\_. **Ephesians 4:26**

The truth is, Jesus wants us to forgive others – just like we've been forgiven. It doesn't mean it's always easy, but Jesus is there to help us out. When we remember the forgiveness we've been given, we can offer the same to others

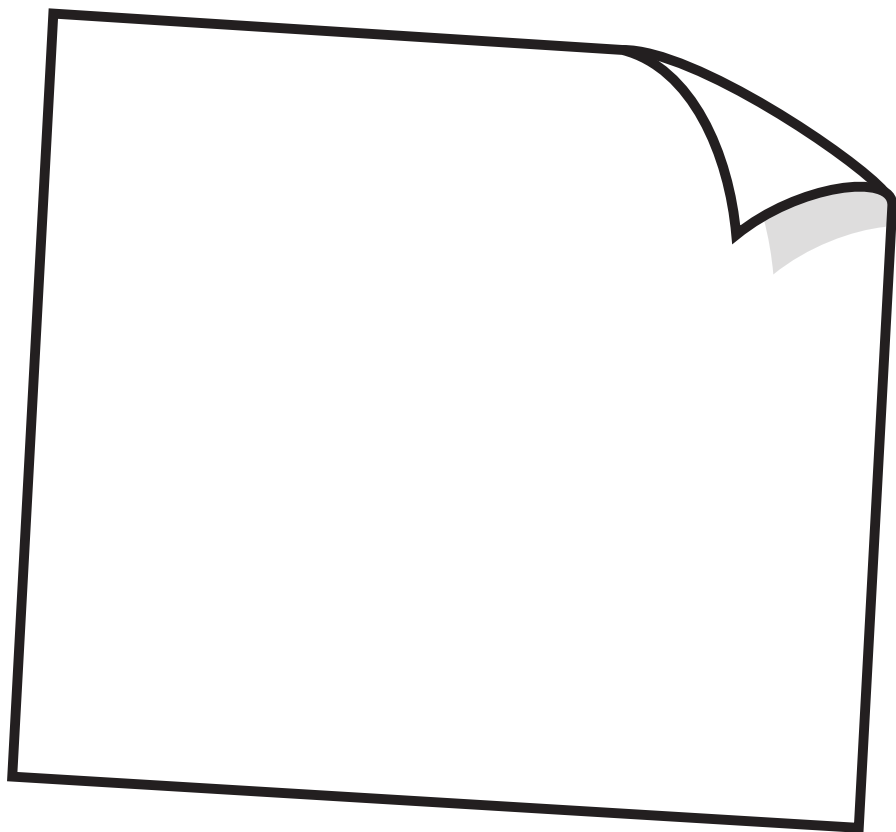
## PHILEMON TAUGHT US...

that if we're going to love, we need to love like Jesus. Loving others means forgiving them like Jesus forgave us, but it also means lots of other things too!

Read **1 Corinthians 13:4-7**

**1** Write down all the words that describe how a loving person would treat others:

**2** Spend time praying and talking to Jesus and ask Him to help you to love others the way He would.



## LIVE IT OUT: FORGIVENESS ROCK

Harder than a rock – that's how forgiveness seems sometimes. Design your own "Forgiveness Rock". Paint it, stencil it, stamp it, write your favorite verse about forgiveness on it. When you're finished, put the rock next to your bed to remind you each night before you go to sleep to ask God to forgive you and to help you forgive others.

