

## **Family** Colossians 4:7-18

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>	God's work involves a of people and not just one person. Some are widely known and some almost totally unknown, but all are important.
•	Tychicus — a, a messenger, and an encourager (4:7, Acts 20:4, 2 Tim. 4:12, Titus 3:12, Eph. 6:21)
•	Onesimus — a faithful and, a runaway slave now saved, returning home, a messenger (4:9; Philemon 10-18)
>	We are to be faithful and servants doing the tasks we have been given to do. (You never know the impact of what God has called you to do.)
>	Focus on who a person is in Christ and not their past one another. Lay aside and
•	Aristarchus — a Jew, a fellow, native of Thessalonica, an encourager (4:10; Acts 19:29, 20:4, 27:2; Philemon 24)
•	Mark — a Jew, but restored, now welcomed, an encourager, wrote part of Bible (4:10; Acts 13:5, 13:13, 15:37-39; 1 Pet. 5:13; 2 Tim. 4:11; Philemon 24)
•	Justus — a Jew, only mentioned here, an (4:11)
>	and fellow brothers and sisters who have fallen. Lay aside self-righteousness and pride.
>	Past failures should not cause you to quit and God will work in your life.
>	one another through presence, staying in contact with one another, prayer, and working alongside one another.

•	Epaphras — from Colossian church, faithful, a man of
	cared deeply to see fellow believers grow in Christ, cared for churches in region, a prisoner (4:12-13, 1:7-8; Philemon 23)
>	Have a for God's people to grow and mature in
	Christ. Pray. Be for one another's spiritual growth.
>	Be willing to for others to grow.
•	Luke - a, wrote significant part of Bible (4:14; Philemon 24; 2 Tim. 4:11)
>	your life and to God. God will
	use you for eternal impact.
•	Demas — nothing mentioned in Colossians, Paul for the world (4:14; 2 Tim. 4:10; Philemon 24)
>	Realize that some who serve Love and encourage one another but realize that not all will be faithful.
•	Nympha and believers in Laodicea — in that home and in the region (4:15-16)
•	Archippus — needed encouragement to his ministry possibly son of Philemon, a fellow worker (4:17, Philemon 2)
>	Have a deep for one another within the Body of Christ. Faithfully serve together and encourage those who are struggling.
•	Paul — the leader, the author, the (4:18)
>	Remember the Cross. Jesus is
	worth it.
>	the message of Live in His grace.
	Christ is all we need.