

**Friends**  
Colossians 4:7-18

**THE RESURRECTED LIFE**

Based Upon Who Jesus Is and What Jesus Has Done for You, How Should You Live?

You Need to Be a Good Godly Friend and You Need Good Godly Friends

1

**Friends**

- Paul Functioned as a Member of a Team
- Paul's Friendships Equaled Discipleship
- Paul's Relationships Were Ministry Partnerships
- Paul Saw People to Be More Important Than Any Program
- Paul Had Friends That Were Very Different From Him

You Need to Be a Good Godly Friend and You Need Good Godly Friends

RESURRECTED LIFE

2

**Friends**  
BE A TEAM PLAYER

Colossians 4:7-8

<sup>7</sup> **Tychicus**, our dearly loved brother, *faithful minister*, and *fellow servant* in the Lord, will tell you all the news about me. <sup>8</sup> I have sent him to you for this very purpose, so that you may know how we are and so that he may encourage your hearts.

Delivery Person

TOGETHER EVERYONE ACHIEVES MORE

3

**Friends**  
BE A TEAM PLAYER

Colossians 4:12-13

<sup>12</sup> **Epaphras**, who is one of you, a servant of Christ Jesus, sends you greetings. He is always wrestling for you in his prayers, so that you can stand mature and fully assured in everything God wills. <sup>13</sup> For I testify about him that he works hard for you, for those in Laodicea, and for those in Hierapolis.

Prayer Warrior

TOGETHER EVERYONE ACHIEVES MORE

4

**Friends**  
BE A TEAM PLAYER

Colossians 4:14

**Luke**, the dearly loved physician, and Demas send you greetings.

Companion and Physician  
Recorded Missionary Adventures  
A Faithful Friend

TOGETHER EVERYONE ACHIEVES MORE

5

**Friends**  
BE A TEAM PLAYER

Colossians 4:15

Give my greetings to the brothers and sisters in Laodicea, and to **Nympha** and the church in her home.

"hospitality is love in action. Hospitality is the flesh and muscle on bones of love"

GET CONNECTED IN A TRUST-CENTERED GROUP  
**CONNECTION GROUP**

TOGETHER EVERYONE ACHIEVES MORE

6

## Friends

### BE A REAL FRIEND

Colossians 4:10  
**Aristarchus**, my fellow prisoner, sends you greetings,

Acts 19:28-29  
 28 When they had heard this, they were filled with rage and began to cry out, "Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!" 29 So the city was filled with confusion, and they rushed all together into the amphitheater, dragging along Gaius and **Aristarchus**, Macedonians who were Paul's traveling companions.



7

## Friends

### BE A REAL FRIEND

Colossians 4:10  
**Aristarchus**, my fellow prisoner, sends you greetings,

Acts 27:2  
 When we had boarded a ship of Adramyttium, we put to sea, intending to sail to ports along the coast of Asia. **Aristarchus**, a Macedonian of Thessalonica, was with us.



8

## Friends

### BE A REAL FRIEND

Colossians 4:14  
 Luke, the dearly loved physician, and **Demas** send you greetings.

2 Timothy 4:9-10  
 9 Make every effort to come to me soon, 10 because **Demas** has deserted me, since he loved this present world, and has gone to Thessalonica.

**AWOL**  
Absent WithOut Love



9

## Friends

### BE A FORGIVING FRIEND

Colossians 4:9  
 He is coming with **Onesimus**, a faithful and dearly loved brother, who is one of you. They will tell you about everything here.

Philemon 9-10  
 9 I appeal to you, instead, on the basis of love. I, Paul, as an elderly man and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus, 10 appeal to you for my son, **Onesimus**. I became his father while I was in chains.




10

## Friends

### BE A FORGIVING FRIEND

Colossians 4:9  
 He is coming with **Onesimus**, a faithful and dearly loved brother, who is one of you. They will tell you about everything here.

Philemon 15-17  
 15 For perhaps this is why he was separated from you for a brief time, so that you might get him back permanently, 16 no longer as a slave, but more than a slave—as a dearly loved brother. He is especially so to me, but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. 17 So if you consider me a partner, welcome him as you would me.




11

## Friends

### BE A FORGIVING FRIEND

Colossians 4:10  
 Aristarchus, my fellow prisoner, sends you greetings, as does **Mark**, Barnabas's cousin (concerning whom you have received instructions: if he comes to you, welcome him),

Acts 15:37-38  
 37 Barnabas wanted to take along John who was called **Mark**. 38 But Paul insisted that they should not take along this man who had deserted them in Pamphylia and had not gone on with them to the work.



12

## Friends

### BE A FORGIVING FRIEND

Colossians 4:10  
 Aristarchus, my fellow prisoner, sends you greetings, as does **Mark**, Barnabas's cousin (concerning whom you have received instructions: if he comes to you, welcome him),

2 Timothy 4:11  
 Only Luke is with me. Bring **Mark** with you, for he is useful to me in the ministry.



13

## Friends

### AN ENCOURAGING FRIEND

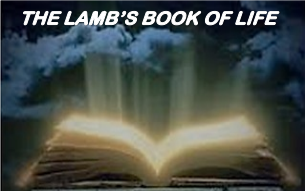
Colossians 4:11  
 and so does Jesus who is called **Justus**.

Colossians 4:17  
 And tell **Archippus**, "Pay attention to the ministry you have received in the Lord, so that you can accomplish it."



14

## Friends




**THE LAMB'S BOOK OF LIFE**

Luke 10:20  
 Don't rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.

Revelation 20:12  
 I also saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life, and the dead were judged according to their works by what was written in the books.

Revelation 20:15  
 And anyone whose name was not found written in the book of life was thrown into the lake of fire.



15