

HOME GROUP QUESTIONS: 10/25/20



1. What are a few points from the message that personally connected with you?
2. Take the time to read the brief letter of Philemon (25 verses). Knowing the context of the letter after listening to the sermon, what stands out to you as you read this very personal letter between Paul and Philemon? While we don't know for sure, why do you believe this letter is included in the New Testament?
3. Given the reality of our cancel culture, what unique ethic does this letter present for believers when it comes to dealing with issues of relational restoration? How is this different than what we see in our world today?
4. Throughout this short letter, Paul is inviting Philemon to change his perspective. He is lovingly correcting him. Eugene made the point in the message that "correction is not a loss of pride, but an invitation to relationships." How does this help you when you both give correction and receive correction from others? How might our attitudes change if we were to view loving correction not as condemnation but as an invitation to maturity and growth?
5. In the message, Eugene spoke to the reality that Christians can do much good and bad, sometimes simultaneously. What new insights did you gain into this important reality? How might our understanding of this truth change the way we engage in community and relationships?
6. After hearing this message, how have you felt prompted to respond? Start with your home and move from there. How does this message help you become a better parent, spouse, friend, or boss?
7. What is God revealing to you personally as a result of this study?