

Bible Reading Notes
Philemon

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Philemon was written during Paul's first imprisonment in Rome. While under house arrest, Paul met a runaway slave, Onesimus. The letter is an appeal to Philemon to receive Onesimus back without punishment or harm.

1:2 – **Apphia** was Philemon's wife, and **Archippus** was his son and the pastor of the church in Colossae.

1:10 – **Onesimus** – The name means useful. Paul plays on this name in the following verses.

1:16 – The former slave now returns as a brother in Christ.