

Lesson3 Refreshing the bowels – Philemon**Philemon 1:4-22**

- (4) I thank my God, making mention of thee always in my prayers,
- (5) Hearing of thy love and faith, which thou hast toward the Lord Jesus, and toward all saints;
- (6) That the communication of thy faith may become effectual by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.
- (7) For we have great joy and consolation in thy love, because the bowels of the saints are refreshed by thee, brother.
- (8) Wherefore, though I might be much bold in Christ to enjoin thee that which is convenient,
- (9) Yet for love's sake I rather beseech *thee*, being such an one as Paul the aged, and now also a prisoner of Jesus Christ.
- (10) I beseech thee for my son Onesimus, whom I have begotten in my bonds:

- (11) Which in time past was to thee unprofitable, but **now profitable to thee and to me**:

- (12) Whom I have sent again: thou therefore receive him, that is, mine own bowels:
- (13) Whom I would have retained with me, that in thy stead he might have ministered unto me in the bonds of the gospel:
- (14) But without thy mind would I do nothing; that thy benefit should not be as it were of necessity, but willingly.
- (15) For perhaps he therefore departed for a season, that thou shouldest receive him for ever;
- (16) Not now as a servant, but above a servant, a brother beloved, specially to me, but how much more unto thee, both in the flesh, and in the Lord?
- (17) If thou count me therefore a partner, receive him as myself.

- (18) **If he hath wronged thee, or oweth *thee* ought, put that on mine account;**

- (19) I Paul have written *it* with mine own hand, I will repay *it*: albeit I do not say to thee how thou owest unto me even thine own self besides.
- (20) Yea, brother, let me have joy of thee in the Lord: refresh my bowels in the Lord.
- (21) Having confidence in thy obedience I wrote unto thee, knowing that thou wilt also do more than I say.
- (22) But withal prepare me also a lodging: for I trust that through your prayers I shall be given unto you.

2 Timothy 1:1-6

- (1) Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, according to the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus,
- (2) To Timothy, *my* dearly beloved son: Grace, mercy, *and* peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.
- (3) I thank God, whom I serve from *my* forefathers with pure conscience, that without ceasing I have remembrance of thee in my prayers night and day;
- (4) Greatly desiring to see thee, being mindful of thy tears, that I may be filled with joy;
- (5) When I call to remembrance **the unfeigned faith that is in thee**, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also.
- (6) Wherefore **I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God**, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

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We were preached into the kingdom of God, our bowels were refreshed. Once the kingdom is birthed in our heart, our obedience to the gospel refreshes the ministry.

Galatians 6:6

(6) Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things.

Hebrews 13:16-17

(16) But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

(17) Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that *is* unprofitable for you.

2 Timothy 4:1-11

- (1) I charge *thee* therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;
- (2) Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.
- (3) For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;
- (4) And they shall turn away *their* ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.
- (5) But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.
- (6) For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.
- (7) I have fought a good fight, I have finished *my* course, I have kept the faith:
- (8) Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.
- (9) Do thy diligence to come shortly unto me:
- (10) For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia.
- (11) Only Luke is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with thee: **for he is profitable to me for the ministry.**