

Text: Colossians 4:7-18

Topics: Commending, Encouragement, Prayer

Series: Colossians: Knowing the All-Sufficient One

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You're Not Alone

I. Informing (7-9)

Paul's concern...

Paul's companions...

II. Greetings (10-14)

The three...

The one...

The two...

III. Instructing (15-18)

1. *Greet...*

2. *Share...*

3. *Fulfill...*

4. *Pray...*

Paul commends, communicates, and connects for mission, encouragement, and prayer.

How might I practice these things for these purposes?

Application Questions - *These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group, for even more benefit.*

1. Do you have a connection with people in a church in another area? How do you stay connected? What value do you see in this relationship?

2. Read Acts 19:28-31, and 20:1-6. Who did Paul have with him, and where were they from, when the riot over the spread of Christianity erupted in Ephesus, and then in Macedonia and Greece?

Of what value do you think they were to Paul and his ministry?

Do you have brothers & sisters in Christ who are similarly valuable to you? Explain.

3. Read Romans 16:1-16 & 21-23. What names do you recognize because they are referred to elsewhere in the New Testament? What names do you not recognize?

Why would Paul mention the names of these believers in his letter?

Notice the different things he says about each person. Why would he do that?

What would a church leader say about you to others? What would you want to be said? Why?

4. How is what Paul says about prayer in 1 Thessalonians 5:17, 25 and 2 Thessalonians 3:1-2 instructive to you?

5. What is the main application of this study, and/or the sermon and its passages, for you?