

Colossians 4:7-18 Handout
“Encouragement for the Mission”

Notes:

For further reflection

How can we be better connected to our church and to other churches in the way Paul assumes we should be?

How does Colossians change the way you think about who God is and what he is doing?

What is displacing Christ from the center of your life?

For further study

Reread Colossians, noticing the major themes of the book and thinking about how they might connect to Paul's final greetings.

Read through the other endings of the letters, especially of Paul. Notice commonalities and differences, ask questions about why certain things are mentioned and how it connects to the ministry of Paul and to the specific book they are in.

Read through the Ephesians now that we're through Colossians. Ephesians, a similar and complementary book, can help answer some questions that you might have about things in Colossians.