

COMMUNITY GROUPS

living out the gospel with
one another in our homes

Date: 6/25/23

Sermon: Love One Another At the Cross

Text: Philemon

Speaker: Will Massaro

Questions: Will Massaro

The sermon on Sunday was on the entire book of Philemon. The sermon's main point was that the cross of Jesus Christ and the fact that God forgives us changes how we are to love one another, especially as we are commanded to forgive one another. In his letter to Philemon, Paul accomplishes three goals that were outlined in the sermon. These will be the basis for the questions for this week.

1. He Demonstrates His Love For Philemon (V. 1-7)

- a. Who can you show love to or honor with your words in your Community Group, or in the church? Take some time to practice that now. How can you continue this practice?

2. He Requires Philemon To Forgive Onesimus (v. 8-20)

- a. Who are you not forgiving that you should forgive? Who have you said that you forgive, but you are still holding it against them in your heart?
- b. Do you need to ask for forgiveness from God, or anyone else?

3. He Expressed Confidence In Philemon (V. 21-25)

- a. The world and the enemy are trying to convince us that we should not be confident in our salvation. How can we help each other be confident in Jesus Christ and the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives?
- b. The end of Paul's letter shows his personal affection for Philemon and the other saints. How can we commit to knowing the member of our church and community group in a more personal way?

Final Question: The sermon ended with the reminder that there are only two types of people. Those who are in Christ, and those who are not in Christ. Those who have been forgiven by God and those who have not been forgiven by God. Are you confident in which category you belong in? Would others around you be confident that you belong to Christ?