

# valueFUL

letter to the Colossians

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Col. 4:7-18

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**We all need "fellows"**

**Fellows provide joyful encouragement**

**Colossians 4:7-9**

Tychicus:

Who do you trust completely?

Onesimus:

Who is a faithful friend you love dearly?

**Fellows provide comfort**

**Colossians 4:10-11**

Aristarchus:

Who comforts you by staying with you through anything?

John Mark:

Who have you been, or do you need to be, reconciled to?

Justus:

Who comforts you by working alongside you?

**Fellows Wrestle in Prayer**

**Colossians 4:12-13**

Epaphras:

Who agonizes in prayer for you? Who do you agonize in prayer for?

**Fellows Greet and Acknowledge One Another**

**Colossians 4:15-18**

Nympha:

Who encourages you by acknowledging you?

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PLEASE SILENCE YOUR PHONE

"Create value in keeping with our position  
in Jesus"

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Colossians 1:9-12
3. Christians should create value in  
society: Colossians 3:23

We need  
"Fellows"

Tychicus, our dearly loved brother, faithful minister, and fellow servant in the Lord, will tell you all the news about me. I have sent him to you for this very purpose, so that you may know how we are and so that he may encourage your hearts. He is coming with Onesimus, a faithful and dearly loved brother, who is one of you. They will tell you about everything here.

Aristarchus, my fellow prisoner, sends you greetings, as does Mark, Barnabas's cousin (concerning whom you have received instructions: if he comes to you, welcome him), and so does Jesus who is called Justus. These alone of the circumcised are my coworkers for the kingdom of God, and they have been a comfort to me.

Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ Jesus, sends you greetings. He is always wrestling for you in his prayers, so that you can stand mature and fully assured in everything God wills. For I testify about him that he works hard for you, for those in Laodicea, and for those in Hierapolis.

Luke, the dearly loved physician, and Demas send you greetings. Give my greetings to the brothers and sisters in Laodicea, and to Nympha and the church in her home. After this letter has been read at your gathering, have it read also in the church of the Laodiceans; and see that you also read the letter from Laodicea.

And tell Archippus, "Pay attention to the ministry you have received in the Lord, so that you can accomplish it." I, Paul, am writing this greeting with my own hand. Remember my chains. Grace be with you.

Fellows Provide  
Joyful  
Encouragement

Tychicus, our <sup>1</sup>dearly loved brother,  
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Servant (sýndoulos): a person who is a slave of the same master as another. Someone who is compelled to work for their master.

We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to be proud of us, so that you may have a reply for those who take pride in outward appearance rather than in the heart. For if we are out of our mind, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. **For the love of Christ compels us**, since we have reached this conclusion, that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all so that those who live should no longer live for themselves, but for the one who died for them and was raised."

"He has rescued us from the domain of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of the Son he loves. In him we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins."

"And when you were dead in trespasses and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, he made you alive with him and forgave us all our trespasses. He erased the certificate of debt, with its obligations, that was against us and opposed to us, and has taken it away by nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and disgraced them publicly; he triumphed over them in him."

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**PAUL'S FIRST AND SECOND MISSIONARY JOURNEYS**

- City
- ← 1st missionary journey: outbound
- 1st missionary journey: inbound
- ← 2nd missionary journey: outbound
- 2nd missionary journey: inbound

Who do you trust  
completely?

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Faithful (pistós):

faithful, trustworthy, dependable, reliable

"For this reason, although I have great boldness in Christ to command you to do what is right, I appeal to you, instead, on the basis of love. I, Paul, as an elderly man and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus, appeal to you for my son, Onesimus. I became his father while I was in chains. Once he was useless to you, but now he is useful both to you and to me."

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Who is a faithful  
friend you love  
dearly?

Fellows Provide  
Comfort

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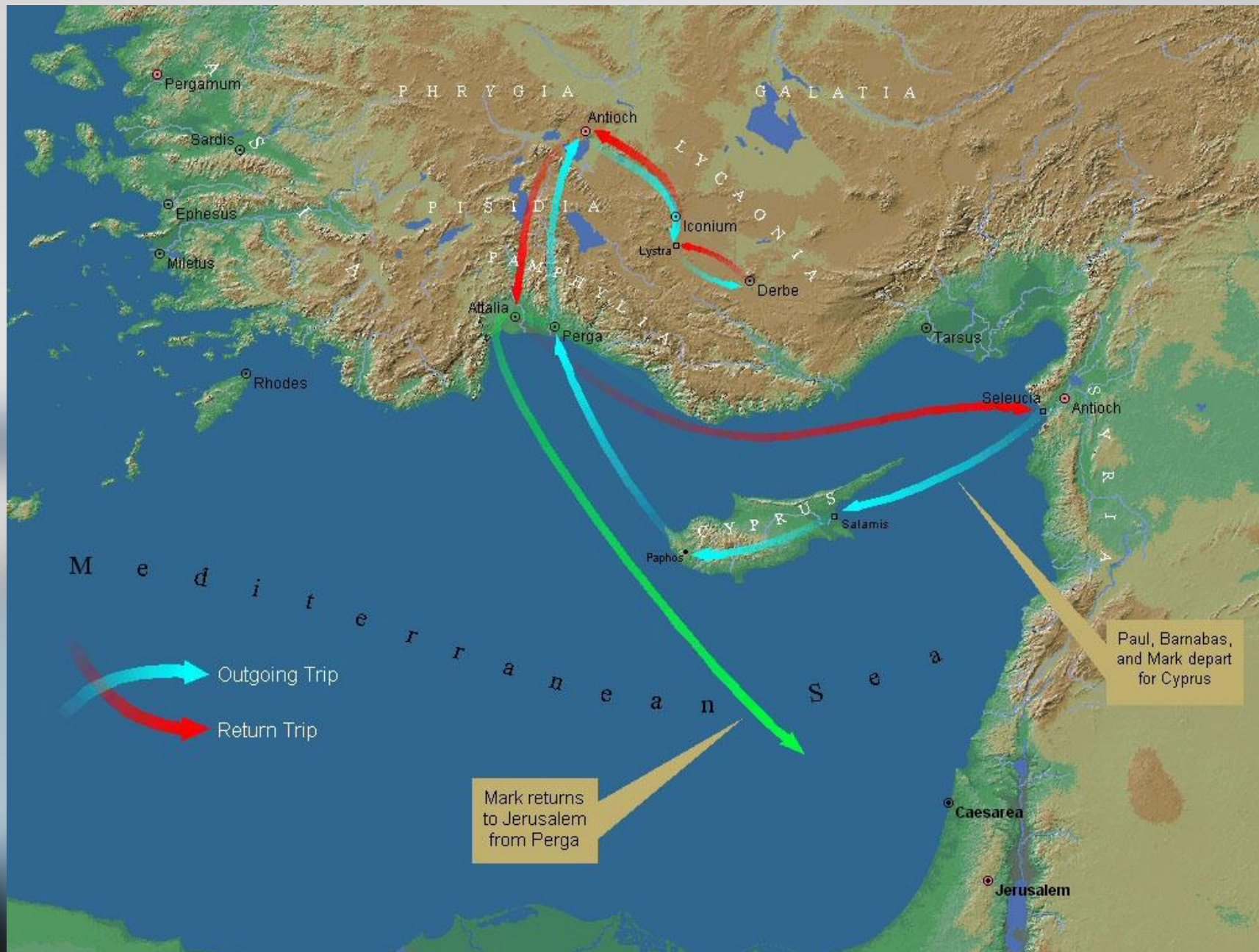


## Aristarchus:

- Was with Paul in Ephesus (Acts 19)
- Was a "fellow prisoner" (Colossians 4:10)
- Accompanied Paul on his final trip to Jerusalem (Acts 20:4)
- Was on the ship that was shipwrecked (Acts 27:2)

Who comforts you by  
staying with you  
through everything?

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working alongside  
you?

Fellows Wrestle  
in Prayer

Epaphras sends greetings; he is one of you, a slave of the Messiah Yeshua who always agonizes in his prayer on your behalf, praying that you may stand firm, mature and fully confident, as you devote yourselves completely to God's will.

Wrestle (agōnízomai):  
to exert much effort or energy (in  
something); conceived of as engaging in a  
fight or contest.

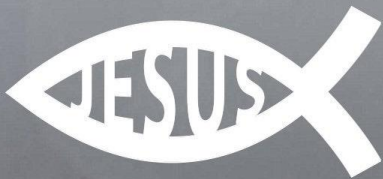
In the same way the Spirit also helps us in our weakness, because we do not know what to pray for as we should, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with inexpressible groanings. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because he intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

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prayer for you? Who  
do you agonize in  
prayer for?

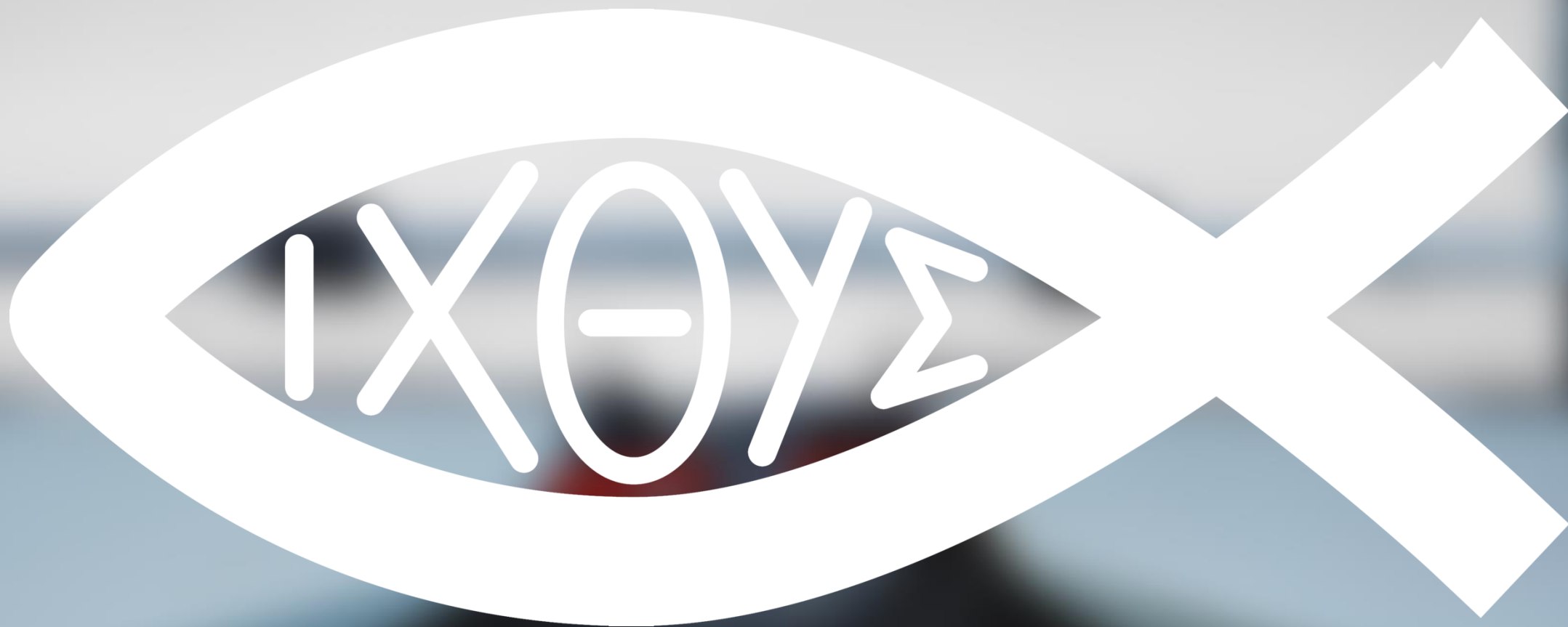
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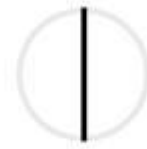


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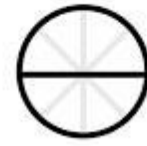
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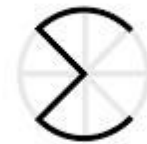
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Who encourages you  
simply by  
acknowledging you?  
Who do you  
acknowledge?

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