

# **“The Prerequisites of Forgiveness”**

## **Philemon 4-7**

### **Introduction**

#### REVIEW

Philemon 1-3 – The Necessity of Forgiveness

Last lessons main application question: **Is there someone in my life I have yet to forgive?**

Philemon was ready to forgive Onesimus because he was preparing himself

\_\_\_\_\_ the sin was ever committed...

#### **I) Prerequisite # 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Toward Christ (v. 5)**

What kind of faith is Paul talking about here? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ (Ephesians 6:16)

#### **II) Prerequisite # 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Toward the Saints (v. 5)**

What is the BEST thing a sinner can receive after they have sinned against another? \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Love Toward the Saints Seen in the Final Hours of Jesus Christ**

1) Love Toward the Saints is \_\_\_\_\_ (Jn. 13:1-16)

#### **2 Ways to “Wash the Feet” of Others in the Church**

A) Associate with the \_\_\_\_\_ (James 2:1)

- B) Be a Practical \_\_\_\_\_  
2) Love Toward the Saints is \_\_\_\_\_ (Jn. 15:12-13)

Giving up your life is more than dying physically it is being willing to die to \_\_\_\_\_!

### **2 Ways to Practically Sacrifice for Others in the Church**

- A) Sacrifice Time  
B) Sacrifice Pride (James 5:16)

### **III) Prerequisite # 3: \_\_\_\_\_ With the Saints (v. 6a)**

Why is it important to care about effective fellowship in the church in order to forgive? \_\_\_\_\_

### **IV) Prerequisite # 4: A Desire to \_\_\_\_\_ Knowledge (v. 6b)**

"Gnosis" means: \_\_\_\_\_  
"Epignosis" means: \_\_\_\_\_

According to the end of verse 6 why should we desire to experience knowledge? \_\_\_\_\_

### **V) Prerequisite # 5: \_\_\_\_\_ the Saints (v. 7)**

Paul rejoices in Philemon's spiritual fruit because he understands that there is a special and \_\_\_\_\_ unity within the body of Christ (1 Cor. 12:26)

**ASK: Which of these 5 Prerequisites am I not**