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1 ¶ Paul, a prisoner of Jesus Christ, and Timothy *our* brother, unto Philemon our dearly beloved, and fellowlabourer,

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2 And to *our* beloved Apphia, and Archippus our fellowsoldier, and to the church in thy house:

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3 Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

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4 I thank my God, making mention of thee always in my prayers,

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5 Hearing of thy love and faith, which thou hast toward the Lord Jesus, and toward all saints;

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6 That the communication of thy faith may become effectual by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.

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7 For we have great joy and consolation in thy love, because the bowels of the saints are refreshed by thee, brother.

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8 ¶ Wherefore, though I might be much bold in Christ to enjoin thee that which is convenient,

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9 Yet for love's sake I rather beseech *thee*, being such an one as Paul the aged, and now also a prisoner of Jesus Christ.

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10 I beseech thee for my son Onesimus, whom I have begotten in my bonds:

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11 Which in time past was to thee unprofitable, but now profitable to thee and to me:

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12 Whom I have sent again: thou therefore receive him, that is, mine own bowels:

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13 Whom I would have retained with me, that in thy stead he might have ministered unto me in the bonds of the gospel:

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14 But without thy mind would I do nothing; that thy benefit should not be as it were of necessity, but willingly.

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15 For perhaps he therefore departed for a season, that thou shouldest receive him for ever;

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16 Not now as a servant, but above a servant, a brother beloved, specially to me, but how much more unto thee, both in the flesh, and in the Lord?

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17 If thou count me therefore a partner, receive him as myself.

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18 If he hath wronged thee, or oweth *thee* ought, put that on mine account;

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19 I Paul have written *it* with mine own hand, I will repay *it*: albeit I do not say to thee how thou owest unto me even thine own self besides.

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20 Yea, brother, let me have joy of thee in the Lord: refresh my bowels in the Lord.

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21 Having confidence in thy obedience I wrote unto thee, knowing that thou wilt also do more than I say.

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22 But withal prepare me also a lodging: for I trust that through your prayers I shall be given unto you.

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23 There salute thee Epaphras, my fellowprisoner in Christ Jesus;

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24 Marcus, Aristarchus, Demas, Lucas, my fellowlabourers.

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25 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with your spirit. Amen.