



Wednesday in the Word

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Philemon Analytical Outline

General Guidelines

1. Divide the whole text into passages. Work on one passage at a time.
2. Start main (independent) sentences at the left margin.
3. Put modifying (dependent) phrases or clauses under the words they modify.
4. Make the parallel phrases obvious. If necessary, connect them with lines.
5. Place lists of qualities, actions, etc. in vertical columns.

Making the Most of an Analytical Outline

1. Look for different interpretive options as you write your outline. Each time you put a phrase under a word, ask yourself if it could go under anything else. These different possibilities may open up new ways of seeing the passage, and perhaps even a new understanding of what the author is really saying.
2. Watch for repeated words or phrases.
3. Distinguish main statements from explanations, modifying clauses, and rabbit-trails.
4. Identify crucial words of the text for later word studies.

For instructions on how to do an analytical outline see: <http://www.wednesdayintheword.com/resources/analyticaloutline.pdf>

Color Key

Purple Bold - Major conjunctions and transitions

Purple text - minor conjunctions and transitional phrases

Black Bold - names and places

Red underline - section theme (may also be imperative)

blue text - phrases modifying the section theme

orange text - conclusions from section theme

green underline - commands/imperatives

Pink - interesting pronouns

Yellow Highlight - repeated phrase/idea

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1:1 **Paul**, a prisoner of **Christ Jesus**, and
 Timothy our **brother**,
 To **Philemon** our **beloved brother** and **fellow worker**,

1:2 and to Apphia our **sister**,
 and to Archippus our **fellow soldier**,
 and to the church in your house:

1:3 Grace to you and
 peace from **God our Father** and
 the **Lord Jesus Christ**.

1:4 I thank my God always,
 making mention of you in my prayers,

1:5 because I hear of your love and
of the faith which you have toward the **Lord Jesus** and
 toward all the saints;

1:6 and I pray
that the fellowship of your faith may become effective
through the knowledge of every good thing
 which is in you for **Christ's sake**.

1:7 For I have come to have much joy and
 comfort **in your love**,
 because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, **brother**.

1:8 **Therefore**,
 though I have enough **confidence in Christ**
 to order you to do what is proper,

1:9 yet **for love's sake**
I rather appeal to you--
 since I am such a person as Paul, the aged, and
 now also a **prisoner of Christ Jesus--**

1:10 I appeal to you for my **child** Onesimus,
 whom I have **begotten** in my **imprisonment**,

1:11 who formerly was useless to you,
 but now is useful both to you and to me.

1:12 I have sent him back to you in person, that is,
 sending my very heart,
 1:13 whom I wished to keep with me,
 so that on your behalf he might minister to me
 in my imprisonment for the gospel;
 1:14 but without your consent
I did not want to do anything,
 so that your goodness would not be, in effect, by compulsion
 but of your own free will.
 1:15 For perhaps he was for this reason separated from you for a while,
 that you would have him back forever,
 1:16 no longer as a slave,
 but more than a slave,
 a beloved brother,
 especially to me,
 but how much more to you,
 both in the flesh and
in the Lord.
 1:17 **If then**
 you regard me a partner,
accept him as you would me.
 1:18 But if he has wronged you in any way or
 owes you anything,
 charge that to my account;
 1:19 I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand,
I will repay it (not to mention to you that you owe to me even your own self as well).
 1:20 Yes, brother,
let me benefit from you in the Lord;
 refresh my heart in Christ.
 1:21 Having confidence in your obedience,
I write to you, since I know that you will do even more than what I say.

1:22 At the same time also
prepare me a lodging,
for I hope that through your prayers I will be given to you.

1:23 Epaphras, my fellow prisoner in Christ Jesus, greets you,

1:24 as do

Mark,

Aristarchus,

Demas,

Luke, my fellow workers.

1:25 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.