



COLOSSIANS

INTRODUCTION

Gospel Letter-Bearers

Colossians 4.7-9

THE GOSPEL

IN ALL OF LIFE



Colossians 4.7-9 ESV

⁷Tychicus will tell you all about my activities. He is a beloved brother and faithful minister and fellow servant in the Lord. ⁸I have sent him to you for this very purpose, that you may know how we are and that he may encourage your hearts, ⁹and with him Onesimus, our faithful and beloved brother, who is one of you. They will tell you of everything that has taken place here.

Colossians 4.12a, 18 ESV

¹²Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ Jesus, greets you...

¹⁶And when this letter has been read among you, have it also read in the church of the Laodiceans...

¹⁸I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. Remember my chains. Grace be with you.

Introduction

Paul did not plan to slip Gospel instructions into his greeting, but he and his community were so saturated with the Gospel that it came through even in his greetings.

Just like Tychicus, all of us are:

1. Gospel letter-bearers
2. Gospel life-examples
3. Gospel church-connectors

Gospel letter-bearer



Ephesians 6.21-22 (ESV)

²¹So that you also may know how I am and what I am doing, Tychicus the beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord will tell you everything. ²²I have sent him to you for this very purpose, that you may know how we are, and that he may encourage your hearts.

2 Corinthians 3.2-3

You yourselves are our letter of recommendation, written on our hearts, to be known and read by all. And you show that you are a letter from Christ delivered by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.

Authentic Gospel Example



Faithful Minister

Titus 3:12 (ESV) ¹²When I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there.

2 Timothy 4:12 (ESV) ¹²Tychicus I have sent to Ephesus.

2 Corinthians 8:18 (ESV) ¹⁸With him we are sending the brother who is famous among all the churches for his preaching of the gospel.



Colossians 3.11 (ESV)

¹¹Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

**Live the Gospel
Love the People
Obey the Spirit
Everywhere!**



IN ALL OF LIFE

A person is running through a dark, narrow tunnel. A bright light source is visible at the end of the tunnel, creating a strong silhouette effect. The person is running away from the viewer towards the light. The overall mood is one of hope and perseverance.

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Open Door