

- 6) In Ephesians 4:17 – 6:9, Paul calls believers to purity. List the specific attitudes and actions that these verses call us to purify.

Attitudes

Actions

- 7) In Ephesians 6:10-20, Paul calls us to live victoriously in light of our high calling. List each piece of spiritual armor and a way you can use it to gain victory in a current, personal battle.

Armor

Personal, Practical Use

a)

b)

c)

d)

e)

f)

g)

After noting the questions below, read Philippians 1-4.

- 8) Count the number of times Paul used the words joy, rejoice or glad in Philippians. Based on Paul's circumstances (given in 1:13-14) and the Philippians' circumstances (described in 1:29-30), do you think it strange that Paul wrote a letter to the Philippians in which joy was thematic? Finally, how does Paul's deep conviction, as expressed in 1:21, help you find joy in a difficulty you may now be facing?
- 9) Paul had special affection for the Philippians. What do the following passages reveal about their relationship: 2 Corinthians 11:9 (Philippi was in Macedonia); Philippians 2:25; 4:16, 18?
- 10) Paul covers a number of topics and offers many encouraging and challenging words in Philippians. Which verse or passage did you find especially meaningful for your present life and how will you apply it?

Read Colossians 1-4.

- 11)** Consider 1:15-20 and 2:9-23, in light of Colossians 2:4, 8. What do these passages suggest about Paul's purpose in writing Colossians?
- 12)** Colossians 1:15-20 is one of the premiere Christological statements in the New Testament. What does this passage teach about Christ?
- 13)** Explain how Colossians 2:8 applies to your culture and how you can apply Colossians 3:16 to your own life today.

Read Philemon.

- 14)** Based on the content of the letter, why did Paul write Philemon?
- 15)** Regarding Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, and Philemon:
- a) According to Ephesians 3:1; 4:1; 6:20; Philippians 1:7, 13-14, 17; Colossians 4:3, 10, 18; and Philemon 9-10, 13, 23, what was Paul's situation when he wrote these four epistles?
 - b) Based upon Ephesians 6:21-22, Colossians 4:7-9, and Philemon 10-12, what do these three epistles have in common?
 - c) Review what Paul says about himself in Philemon 9. From these four letters, what impresses you most about Paul and how will you plan to emulate him?