

Dig Deeper

For *Postcards to the Church: Lesson on Reconciliation*

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Philemon 1:8-25

1. How did Paul use his authority as an apostle? Why? *See 2 Corinthians 10:8, 13:10*
2. How can biblical authority be misused?
3. Why does Paul appeal to love in Philemon 1:8-9?
4. Why did Onesimus go back to Philemon? *See Philemon 1:12-16*
5. How does the ministry of Philemon in 1:1-7 interact with the appeal in 1:17-20?
6. Why would Paul offer to pay Onesimus' debt? *See Philemon 1:18-19*
7. Why is Paul confident in Philemon? *See Philemon 1:21*
8. How does God's sovereignty apply in this story?
9. How could we apply this message to leadership in our church?

