

### **III. Philemon**

#### **A. Background & Date**

#### **B. Outline**

#### **C. Major Theme – Reconciliation**

### **IV. Conclusion**

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## **The Life of the Kingdom: Ephesians, Colossians & Philemon**

### **I. Ephesians**

#### **A. Purpose**

#### **B. Background & Date**

##### **1. The City**

##### **2. The Church**

##### **3. The Letter**

#### **D. Outline**

#### **E. Major Themes**

##### **1. God's sovereignty (1:3-12).**

##### **2. The Gospel in miniature (2:1-10)**

**3. The unity of the Kingdom is maintained by the power of God's grace.**

- **A Call to Unity – Eph. 4:1-3**
- **The definition of unity: the character of God**
- **The maintenance of unity: submission (Eph. 5 & 6)**
- **Warnings about unity (Eph. 5:6-8)**

**4. Order in all things.**

**5. Spiritual warfare.**

**II. Colossians**

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**D. Major Themes**

**1. The Source of New Life**

- **God (Col. 1:11-14)**
- **Christ (Col. 1:15-23)**

**2. The Effect of New Life**

- **A Radical change**
  - 1. Col. 2:13**
  - 2. Col. 3:1-4**
  - 3. Col. 2:21 & 1:10**

- **Not without competition**

- **An enduring life**