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MAN'S IMPOSSIBLE PROBLEM – GOD'S PERFECT SOLUTION

- Philemon 18&19; Romans 5:12; Isaiah 53:6; 2 Corinthians 5:21

Philemon 18&19 - *If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self*

“As Christ does for us with God the Father, so does Paul with Philemon for Onesimus. We are all God’s Onesimi.” ~ Martin Luther

I. ADAM’S SIN

- **Romans 5:12** *“Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned—”*

• *“We aren’t sinners because we sin – instead, we sin because we are sinners.”*

- **Romans 5:15** *“But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man’s trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many.*

II. JESUS’ SACRIFICE

- **Isaiah 53:6** *“All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.”*

- The church consists of those who are very different on every level of life – but experience deep relationship because of our relationship with Christ.

III. JESUS’ RIGHTEOUSNESS

- **2 Corinthians 5:21** *“For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.”*

When God “credits righteousness”, He is conferring a legal status on someone. He treats them as actually righteous and free from condemnation, even though they are still actually unrighteous in their heart and behavior. They are “justified.”
~ Timothy Keller ~ Galatians For You, 2013