



Uncomfortable Conversation – 06/28/2020

OVERVIEW

Through Paul's writing in Philemon we see that God's transforming power ushered in a new Kingdom – a radical new call to all people from different places to come together because of the gospel. We also have the opportunity to model something that looks very different from the chaos of the world today. Will the love and the power of the gospel in your life lead you to love others like Christ loves and live out this radical calling?

Scriptures (NIV): Philemon 1:1-25; Colossians 4:5

APPLICATION

- Share your feelings as you viewed the different pictures that were shown.
- Read through the book of Philemon. God's Word and lessons have no bounds for time. How can you apply what you read to your own life? What stood out to you?
- Jeremy said that our actions and words should be full of grace and sprinkled with salt. How have your recent social media posts or discussions on racism modeled or not modeled this statement?
- What is one simple step you can take to answer God's radical call to help bridge the racial gap?
- **HOMEWORK:** Bryant H. McGill says, "One of the more sincere forms of respect is actually listening to what another has to say." Take time this week to ask questions and listen to someone who may look different from you, someone whose social status differs from yours or whose political stances might not look the same. Have the uncomfortable conversation, but remember to be full of grace!

