

It's Complicated: At the Crossroads

Philemon 1-7

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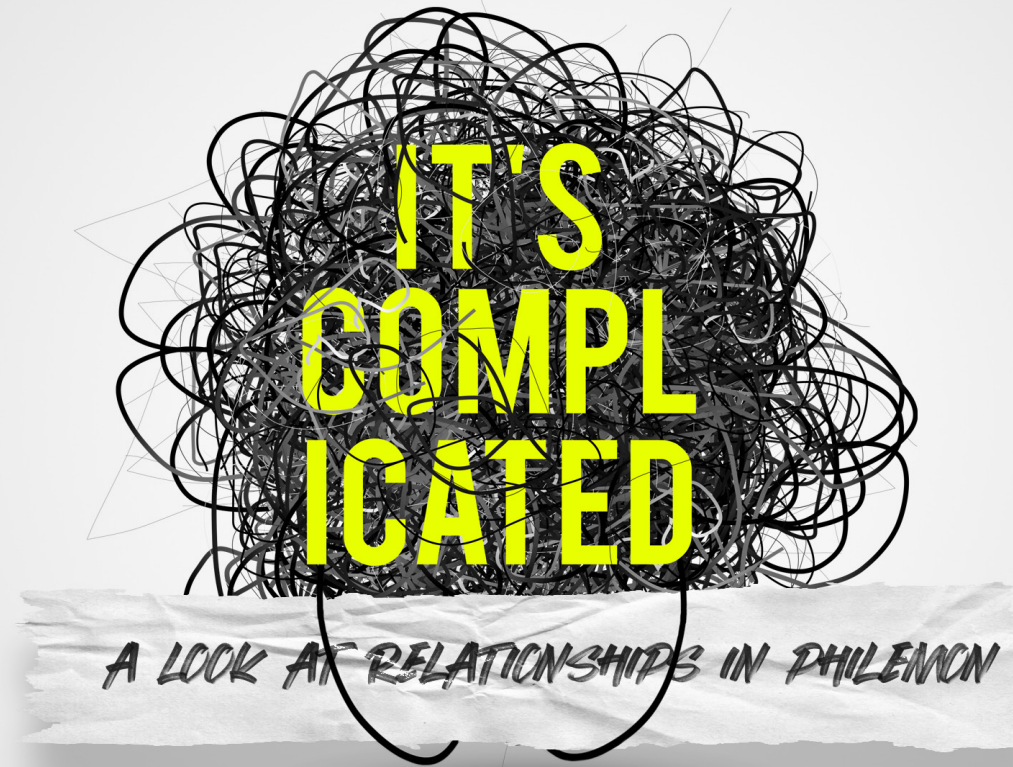
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Every crossroad brings an opportunity to...

Experience God.

Shape our character.

Exert influence.



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52 WEEKS OF GOLD

1 John 2:15-17 (Week 29)

Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world. The world is passing away, and also its lusts; but the one who does the will of God lives forever.



WELCOME TO GRACE!

We're glad you've joined us today! If you're new to GFC, we have a special gift for you. Please **text "NewHere" to 94000**, follow the prompts, and your gift will be ready for you at the New Here table immediately after the service, or mailed to you if you're joining us online.

COME

You've found a place where everybody's welcome, nobody's perfect, and anything can happen! Below are other opportunities to participate in the life of GFC.

Join a Group. A group can help you develop relationships that lead to growth.

Visit gfcnow.com/groups.

Join a Team. Serving on a team helps you impact others in our church and beyond.

Visit gfcnow.com/serve.

CONNECT

Grace Kids (infant-5th grade)

Grace Kids online services available every week at gfcnow.com/kidslive.

Please sign up your Grace Kids, infants-2's, for onsite services every week at gfcnow.com/kidsrsvp.

Access (special needs ministry)

[Facebook.com/groups/gfcaccess](https://www.facebook.com/groups/gfcaccess)

Re:generation (recovery ministry)

[Facebook.com/groups/gfc regeneration](https://www.facebook.com/groups/gfc regeneration)

Mondays, 6:30pm, Student Center

*visit gfcnow.com/regen for Covid-19 adjustments

Grace Students (6th-12th grades)

[Instagram.com/gfcstudents](https://www.instagram.com/gfcstudents)

Summer Outdoor Gatherings

Every other Sunday, 6:30-8:30pm,

North Lawn (middle and high school)

(July 25)

Grace Young Adults (18-early 30s)

[Instagram.com/grace_young_adults](https://www.instagram.com/grace_young_adults)

Summer Park Nights

When: Thursdays, 6:30pm

Where: Willow Springs Park

ENGAGE

Explore how to become part of what God is doing through GFC and dive deeper into the unique qualities of this church in Next Steps. Visit gfcnow.com/steps to sign up.

Invest in the ways we are joining God in "building a community and reaching a community" by generously sharing your resources. Give online at gfcnow.com/give, mail your check to 2314 South Greenwood Dr., Johnson City, TN 37604, place your offering in a secure offering box if attending onsite, or drop off at the church office during our normal business hours.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

SIGN TO FOR ECHO 2021!

On Saturday, July 24, from 9am-12pm, let's come together as a church and echo God's love into our community through service! This year's serving opportunities will have an emphasis on our local schools, to help prepare them for a brand new school year and welcome kids back into their buildings.

When: Saturday, July 24, 9am-12pm

Where: Johnson City Schools. Multiple locations to choose from.

Sign Up: gfcnow.com/echo

GRACE KIDS PROMOTION • ICE CREAM SUNDAY!

If you have a child heading into Kindergarten or 1st grade, you're invited to enjoy an ice cream sundae bar with Grace Kids. We'll have a meet and greet time for parents and kids to get to know your new leaders and ministry areas!

When: Sunday, July 25, 2pm Where: Grace Kids Lobby

MARRIAGE GROUP: RE|ENGAGE

Ready to reignite, strengthen, or rebuild your marriage? Re|engage is a safe place for couples to reconnect. This group enriches marriages by helping couples move toward oneness through stories of grace, teaching, and small group interaction. Re|engage will meet on August 3 and 10 for preview nights (choose one night) and will continue into the fall. Deadline to sign up is August 9. Cost is \$20 per couple for curriculum which can be purchased after attending a preview night.

When: Preview Nights – Tuesday, August 3 or 10, 6:30-8:30pm

Where: GFC, Room 401 Cost: \$20 per couple

Sign Up: gfcnow.com/reengage

GLOBAL OUTREACH COURSE - PERSPECTIVES

Use what's in you to bless the world around you! Perspectives is a 15-week course looking in depth at the biblical, historical, cultural, and strategic aspects of God's global plan to reconcile every nation, tribe, people, and tongue to Himself. Join this journey to discover God's heart and purpose - a purpose in which you have a part to play.

When: Informational meeting Tuesday, August 17 at 6:00pm. (Course will begin Tuesday, August 24.) Where: GFC, Student Center

• Learn More: gfcnow.com/perspectives

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY: SHEPHERD'S LUNCH

Join us in helping those who are homeless or hungry by providing food. Good Samaritan is asking that each volunteer assemble 10 bags with a peanut butter and jelly sandwich, a bag of chips, apple, granola bar, and a bottle of water (all items must be included in one bag). No servers needed.

When/Where: Bags can be dropped off at The Melting Pot located in the basement of Munsey United Methodist Church on Monday, July 26, between 10:15-10:30am. Someone will meet you outside to collect the bags so you don't have to leave your car.

• Sign Up: gfcnow.com/shepherdslunch