



CHRIST
above all



THE PORTRAIT

OF A CHRIST-EXALTING
MINISTRY

COLOSSIANS 4:7-18

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The Portrait of a Christ-Exalting Ministry:

- Those Who **Serve** the Ministry (7-9)
- Those Who **Encourage** the Ministry (10-11)
- Those Who **Pray for** the Ministry (12-13)
- Those Who **Remain in** the Ministry (14)
- Those Who **Receive** the Ministry (15-17)
- Those Who **Deliver** the Ministry (18)

Colossians 4:7-9

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Colossians 4:10-11

10 Aristarchus my fellow prisoner greets you, and Mark the cousin of Barnabas (concerning whom you have received instructions—if he comes to you, welcome him), **11** and Jesus who is called Justus. These are the only men of the circumcision among my fellow workers for the kingdom of God, and they have been a comfort to me.

Colossians 4:12-14

12 Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ Jesus, greets you, always struggling on your behalf in his prayers, that you may stand mature and fully assured in all the will of God. **13** For I bear him witness that he has worked hard for you and for those in Laodicea and in Hierapolis. **14** Luke the beloved physician greets you, as does Demas.

Colossians 4:15-17

15 Give my greetings to the brothers at Laodicea, and to Nympha and the church in her house. **16** And when this letter has been read among you, have it also read in the church of the Laodiceans; and see that you also read the letter from Laodicea. **17** And say to Archippus, "See that you fulfill the ministry that you have received in the Lord."

Colossians 4:18

18 I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. Remember my chains. Grace be with you.



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- Acts 20:4; Titus 3:12; 2 Timothy 4:12; Ephesians 6:21-22.

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- Romans 1:17; 1 Corinthians 4:2.

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- 1 Samuel 14:7.

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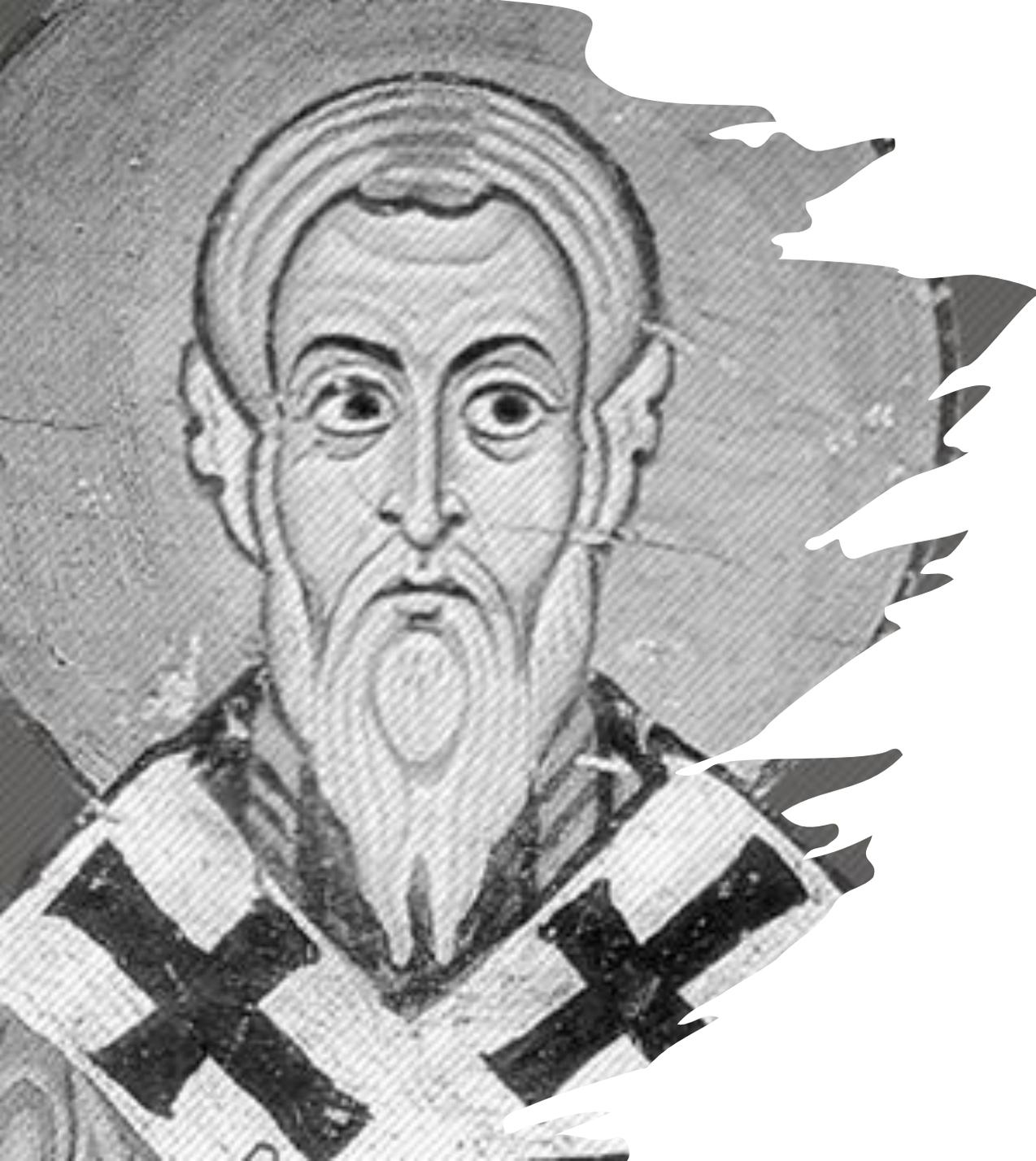
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- Philemon 2, 15-17, 19. Colossians 3:11-12

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“Since then, in the name of God, I received your entire congregation in the person of Onesimus, a man of inexpressible love and your pastor, I beseech you in Christ Jesus to love him and all who are like him.”

– Ignatius

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