

## Bible Character series of readings – week 54

### 6<sup>th</sup> November 16

**Monday: Philemon 1-7. Fellow worker:** Paul encouraged Philemon to share his faith, knowing that when he did, he would also be reminded of the good things that he had in Christ. Praise God for the work he's done in you & ask for an opportunity to share your faith with someone today.

**Tuesday: Philemon 8-25. Obedience anticipated:** Paul knows Philemon well & is confident he will forgive the wrong that Onesimus has done & welcome him as he would Paul. How easy do we find it to forgive those who have hurt us?

**Wednesday: Matthew 13:53-58. James the brother of Jesus:** Sometimes the hardest people to share the gospel with are those closest to you, however this did not put Jesus off from teaching them. Let's continue to share the love of Christ with our close family and friends.

**Thursday: Acts 1:1-14. Convert:** Before the resurrection, Jesus' brothers did not believe (Mark 3:21). We do not know the details of James' conversion, but we see the change in his life. Continue in prayer & wait for the Holy Spirit to do his work in the lives of your unsaved friends.

**Friday: Acts 15:13-21 & 30-35. Church leader:** James, once a sceptic who became a leader of the Jerusalem church, is a great reminder of what God is able to do people's lives. Give God thanks for your salvation & the change that has taken place within you.