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¹ Masters, give unto your servants that which is just and equal; knowing that ye also have a Master in heaven. ² Continue in prayer, and **watch** in the same with thanksgiving; ³ Withal praying also for us, that God would open unto us a **door** of utterance, to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds: ⁴ That I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak. ⁵ **Walk in wisdom** toward them that are without, redeeming the **time**. ⁶ Let your speech be alway with grace, seasoned with **salt**, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man. ⁷ All my state shall Tychicus declare unto you, who is a beloved brother, and a faithful minister and fellow-servant in the Lord: ⁸ Whom I have sent unto you for the same purpose, that he might know your estate, and comfort your hearts; ⁹ With Onesimus, a faithful and beloved brother, who is one of you. They shall make known unto you all things which are done here.

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"REMEMBER MY BONDS"

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