Tychicus: A Regular, Remarkable Life Ephesians 6:21-24

Travels of Faithful Tychicus AD 57 – Accompanied Paul to Jerusalem (Acts 20:4) A convert from Asia – from Ephesus or nearby. Probably accompanied offering from the Macedonia churches to Jerusalem (2 Corinthians 8:18-20 – "brother who is praised"?). AD 61 – Sent by Paul from prison in Rome (Col 4:7-9; Eph 6:21-22) To deliver Ephesians, Colossians, Philemon To accompany runaway slave Onesimus to Philemon in Colossae To deliver news of Paul to the churches (and bring news back to Paul) AD 62-66 – Accompanied Paul when he was released from prison (?) AD 67 – Sent to Ephesus when Paul in prison (2 Timothy 4:12) Probably to deliver letter of 2 Timothy Perhaps to replace Timothy (2 Timothy 4:9, 21)

- I. <u>Tychicus</u>: Paul commended his friend who delivered this letter (Ephesians 6:21-22).
 - A. Dear brother (21; Colossians 4:7)
 ➤ Who are my "dear friends" in Christ?
 - B. Faithful servant (21: Colossians 4:7)
 ➢ Do I pursue faithfulness, or crave recognition?
 - C. Trusted communicator 21: Colossians 4:8-9) ➤ Am I trusted to communicate about people?
 - D. Encourager (22: Colossians 4:8)
 - Do my attitude and words lift people up?

II. <u>Farewell</u>: What God did for us must transform us (Ephesians 6: 23-24).

> Live out God's peace and love in your relationships and love God wholeheartedly.

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