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So if you consider me your partner, receive him as you would receive me. If he has wronged you at all, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, write this with my own hand: I will repay it—to say nothing of your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, I want some benefit from you in the Lord. Refresh my heart in Christ.

Confident of your obedience, I write to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say. At the same time, prepare a guest room for me, for I am hoping that through your prayers I will be graciously given to you.

Epaphras, my fellow prisoner in Christ Jesus, sends greetings to you, and so do Mark, Aristarchus, Demas, and Luke, my fellow workers. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

(Philemon 1:17-25 ESV)

Overview - We complete the forgiving grace by making the necessary corrections to the relationship with the right motives in our heart.

- 1. The necessary corrections to the relationship completes the forgiving grace.**
 - a. Receive with open arms**
 - b. Restore the right identity**
 - c. Repay for harm done**

- 2. The right motives in our heart complete the forgiving grace.**
 - a. We recognize our own debt**
 - b. We hope to refresh others**
 - c. We do more than asked**
 - d. We accept accountability**
 - e. We maintain fellowship**