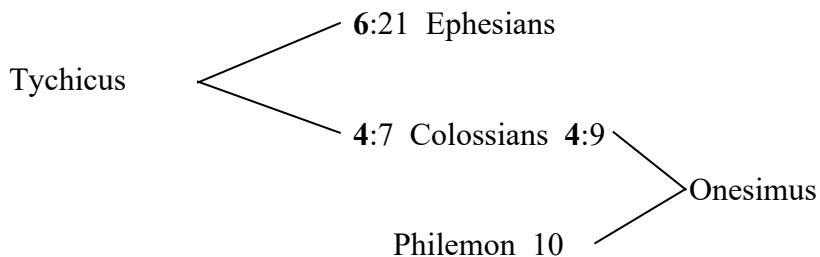


COLOSSIANS, PHILEMON, AND EPHESIANS SENT SIMULTANEOUSLY (plus the letter to the Laodicians?)

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1. All come from an imprisonment: Ephesians 3:1; 4:1; Colossians 4:3, 18; Philemon 1, 9-10
2. The subject matter and style of language in Colossians and Ephesians are closer than any other two epistles of Paul.
 - a. Household teaching: Ephesians 5:21-6:9; Colossians 3:18-4:1
 - b. Putting the members to death
3. The bearers are connected.



4. The destinations are near one another: Philemon (from Colossae) and Colossians and Ephesians (= Epistle to the Laodiceans?).
5. Greetings come from several of the same people:

<u>Ephesians</u>	<u>Colossians</u>	<u>Philemon</u>
Paul	Paul	Paul
Tychicus 6:21	Timothy Tychicus 4: 7 Onesimus 4:9 Aristarchus 4:10 Mark 4:10 Barnabas 4:10 Jesus Justus 4:11 Epaphras 1:7; 4:12 labored in Hier- apolis, Colossae, and Laodicia:4:13 Luke 4:14 Demas 4:14	Timothy Aristarchus 4:10 Mark 4:10 Barnabas 4:10 Jesus Justus 4:11 Epaphras 1:7; 4:12 labored in Hier- apolis, Colossae, and Laodicia:4:13 Luke 4:14 Demas 4:14
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