

¹أَتَيْهَا السَّادَةُ، قَدِّمُوا لِلْعَبِيدِ الْعَدَلَ وَالْمُسَاوَاةَ عَالَمِينَ أَنْ لَكُمْ أَنْتُمْ أَيْضاً سَيِّداً فِي السَّمَاوَاتِ.

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²وَاطْبُؤْا عَلَى الصَّلَاةِ سَاهِرِينَ فِيهَا بِالشُّكْرِ، ³مُصَلِّينَ فِي ذَلِكَ لِأَجْلِنَا نَحْنُ أَيْضاً، لِيَفْتَحَ الرَّبُّ لَنَا بَاباً لِلْكَلَامِ لِتَتَكَلَّمَ بِسِرِّ الْمَسِيحِ، الَّذِي مِنْ أَجْلِهِ أَنَا مُوثَّقٌ أَيْضاً، ⁴كَيْ أَطْهَرَهُ كَمَا يَجِبُ أَنْ أَتَكَلَّمَ. ⁵أَسْلُكُوا بِحِكْمَةٍ مِنْ جِهَةِ الَّذِينَ هُمْ مِنْ خَارِجٍ مُقْتَدِرِينَ الْوَقْتَ. ⁶لِيَكُنْ كَلَامُكُمْ كُلِّ حِينٍ بِنِعْمَةٍ مُصْلِحاً بِمِلْحٍ، لِيَتَعَلَّمُوا كَيْفَ يَجِبُ أَنْ تُجَابُوا كُلَّ وَاحِدٍ.

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⁷جَمِيعُ أَحْوَالِي سَعُرْتُكُمْ بِهَا تِيخِيكُسُ، الْآخُ الْحَبِيبُ وَالْحَادِمُ الْأَمِينُ وَالْعَبْدُ مَعَنَا فِي الرَّبِّ، ⁸الَّذِي أَرْسَلْتُهُ إِلَيْكُمْ لِهَذَا عَيْنِهِ لِيَعْرِفَ أَحْوَالَكُمْ وَيُعَزِّي قُلُوبَكُمْ، ⁹مَعَ أَنَسِيمُسَ، الْآخِ الْأَمِينِ الْحَبِيبِ، الَّذِي هُوَ مِنْكُمْ، هُمَا سَهْرَقَانِكُمْ بِكُلِّ مَا هَهُنَا. ¹⁰يَسَلِّمُ عَلَيْكُمْ أَرِسْتَرْخُسُ، الْمَاسُورُ مَعِي، وَمَرْفُسُ، ابْنُ أُخْتِ بَرْتَابَا، الَّذِي أَخَذْتُمْ لِأَجْلِهِ وَصَايَا، إِنْ أَتَى إِلَيْكُمْ قَاقَبْلُوهُ. ¹¹وَيَسُوعُ، الْمَدْعُوُّ يُسْتُطِيسَ، الَّذِينَ هُمْ مِنَ الْجَنَانِ، هَؤُلَاءِ هُمْ وَخَدَهُمُ الْعَامِلُونَ مَعِي لِمَلَكُوتِ اللَّهِ الَّذِينَ صَارُوا إِلَيَّ تَسْلِيمَةً. ¹²يَسَلِّمُ عَلَيْكُمْ أَبَفَرَاسُ، الَّذِي هُوَ مِنْكُمْ، عَبْدٌ لِلْمَسِيحِ، مُجَاهِدٌ كُلِّ حِينٍ لَأَجْلِكُمْ بِالصَّلَوَاتِ لِكَيْ تَنْبُو كَامِلِينَ وَمُتَمَلِّئِينَ فِي كُلِّ مَشِيئَةِ اللَّهِ. ¹³قَائِي أَشْهَدُ فِيهِ أَنَّ لَهُ غَيْرَةَ كَثِيرَةً لِأَجْلِكُمْ وَلِأَجْلِ الَّذِينَ فِي لَأُودِيكِيَّةِ وَالَّذِينَ فِي هِيرَابُولِيسَ. ¹⁴يَسَلِّمُ عَلَيْكُمْ لُوقَا، الطَّبِيبُ الْحَبِيبُ، وَدِيمَاسُ. ¹⁵سَلِّمُوا عَلَى الْإِخْوَةِ الَّذِينَ فِي لَأُودِيكِيَّةِ وَعَلَى نِمْفَاسَ وَعَلَى الْكَنِيسَةِ الَّتِي فِي بَيْتِهِ. ¹⁶وَمَتَّى قُرِئْتُ عِنْدَكُمْ هَذِهِ الرِّسَالَةَ فَاجْعَلُوهَا تُقْرَأُ أَيْضاً فِي كَنِيسَةِ اللَّأُودِيكِيِّينَ وَالتِّي مِنْ لَأُودِيكِيَّةِ تَقْرَأُونَهَا أَنْتُمْ أَيْضاً. ¹⁷وَقُولُوا لِأَرْخُسَ: انْظُرْ إِلَى الْخِدْمَةِ الَّتِي قَبِلْتَهَا فِي الرَّبِّ لِكَيْ تُتَمِّمَهَا. ¹⁸السَّلَامُ بِيَدِي أَنَا، بُولُسَ. اذْكُرُوا وَتُقَيُّ. اَلنَّعْمَةُ مَعَكُمْ، آمِينَ.

¹Masters, give unto your servants that which is just and equal; knowing that ye also have a Master in heaven.²Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving;³Withal 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:⁴That I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak.⁵Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time.⁶Let your speech be alway with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.⁷All my state shall Tychicus declare unto you, who is a beloved brother, and a faithful minister and fellowservant in the Lord:⁸Whom I have sent unto you for the same purpose, that he might know your estate, and comfort your hearts;⁹With Onesimus, a faithful and beloved brother, who is one of you. They shall make known unto you all things which are done here.¹⁰Aristarchus my fellowprisoner saluteth you, and Marcus, sister's son to Barnabas, (touching whom ye received commandments: if he come unto you, receive him;)¹¹And Jesus, which is called Justus, who are of the circumcision. These only are my fellow workers unto the kingdom of God, which have been a comfort unto me.¹²Epaphras, who is one of you, a servant of Christ, saluteth you, always labouring fervently for you in prayers, that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.¹³For I bear him record, that he hath a great zeal for you, and them that are in Laodicea, and them in Hierapolis.¹⁴Luke, the beloved physician, and Demas, greet

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you.¹⁵ Salute the brethren which are in Laodicea, and Nymphas, and the church which is in his house.¹⁶ And when this epistle is read among you, cause that it be read also in the church of the Laodiceans; and that ye likewise read the epistle from Laodicea.¹⁷ And say to Archippus, Take heed to the ministry which thou hast received in the Lord, that thou fulfil it.¹⁸ The salutation by the hand of me Paul. Remember my bonds. Grace be with you. Amen.