

~ONESIPHORUS (44)

(On-e-siph'o-rus) [Profit Bearer]

- A Christian referred to in Paul's second letter to Timothy.
- Give my greetings to Prisca and Aquila and the household of **Onesiphorus**. (2 Timothy 4:19)
- In contrast with others in the district of Asia who turned away from Paul, **Onesiphorus** remained a loyal supporter and, when in Rome, diligently hunted to find Paul in spite of the risk to himself.
- He was not ashamed of Paul's prison bonds but rendered the apostle good service, as he had done in Ephesus. Paul greatly appreciated this loyalty and prayed that **Onesiphorus** and his household would receive of Yehowah's mercy.
- You know this, that all the men in the district of Asia have turned away from me. Phygelus and Hermogenes are of that number. (2 Timothy 1:15)
- May the Lord grant mercy to the household of **Onesiphorus**, because he often brought me refreshment, and he did not become ashamed of my chains. (2 Timothy 1:16)
- On the contrary, when he happened to be in Rome, he diligently looked for me and found me. (2 Timothy 1:17)
- May the Lord grant him to find mercy from Yehowah in that day. And all the services he rendered in Ephesus you know well enough. (2 Timothy 1:18)
- The fact that Paul sent greetings to the household of **Onesiphorus** rather than to **Onesiphorus** himself.
- Give my greetings to Prisca and Aquila and the household of **Onesiphorus**. (2 Timothy 4:19)
- Does not necessarily indicate that he was no longer alive, though such might be true. He may simply have been away from his family at the time or may even be included in the general greeting sent to his household of believers.

