

Romans 15 (Pt 2) :17 - chapter 16 (Pt 1) :1-25 • Final Words and Warnings

This study covers the last portion of chapter 15 and the first 25 verses of chapter 16.

Section 1: Romans 15:17-33

- The Apostle Paul was powerfully motivated to get the Gospel out to places where it had never been preached. How can we find a greater passion to get the Gospel to people who've never heard it?
- Paul quotes **Isaiah 52:15** in **verse 21**. Read **Isaiah 52:13-15** to get a better sense of what was in his heart.
- In **verse 30-32** Paul exhorts the believers in Rome to pray for him. Take time to note his prayer requests. (You should find 3.)
- Paul was convinced that prayer made a difference. What are some of the things that cause Christians to doubt the power of prayer?

Section 2: Romans 16:1-25

- **Phoebe** appears to be the person who carried Paul's letter to Rome (:1-2) He refers to her as a **sister**, a **servant** and a **patron**. It's apparent that Phoebe was very involved in the early church and sought to use what she had been given for the furtherance of the Gospel. In what areas are you using what the Lord has given you to get the Gospel out to others?
- :3-4 Paul then mentions Priscilla and Aquila. How does **Matthew 16:25** go along with what Paul said about this couple?
- In **verse 5-16** Paul lists several individuals to whom he desired to give a special greeting. He mentions 26 people by name and refers to others, several of whom are women. Why is acknowledging people and their service to God an important thing to do? Who can you acknowledge as a hard-working servant of Jesus?
- **Verses 17-18** give a final warning to watch out for those who cause divisions in the Body of Christ. What reason does Paul give for their divisiveness?
- What are the dangers of divisions?
- Read **Titus 3:10**. What should our response be toward those who repeatedly cause divisions in the Body of Christ?
- Read **James 4:1**. What causes quarrels and divisions?