

Romans 16 (Part 2) :25-27 Study Notes • Strength Through the Gospel

Note from Pastor Paul: The essence of this study is that believers are strengthened against false doctrine and the challenges of living in a fallen world through our knowledge of the Word of God.

Read Romans 16:25-27

Our study will center around verse 25:

- What is a doxology?
- What is the first thing this doxology says God is able to do?
- What does the Apostle MEAN by “strengthen” ? (Check a few different translations to see what alternative words are used.)

In the teaching I brought up TWO areas where knowing the Word (the Gospel) brings strength into a believer's life. Do you remember them?

1. Guards against doctrinal error
2. Strengthens against the challenges of living in a fallen, sinful world

Doctrinal Error

- What kind of doctrinal errors were swirling around in Paul's day?
- What doctrinal errors do believers need to steer clear of today?
- How does the Word keep us safe?
- Read **2 Peter 3:17**. How does that passage apply to staying safe from errors?
- What else can YOU do to stay safe about doctrinal errors?

The Everyday Challenges of Life

- What are some of the trials people face living in this fallen world that can shake their faith?
- In the teaching we looked at 6 ways the Word (the Gospel) brings strength into our lives.
 1. The INSIGHT of WHY we suffer (sin and Satan)
 2. The KNOWLEDGE that God has a PLAN
 3. The UNDERSTANDING that God's love prevails (He will never leave us nor forsake us)
 4. The TRUTH that He has given us His Spirit
 5. The WISDOM that God is sovereign above all
 6. The COMFORT that there is MORE than just this life
- What are some of the ways you can personally get more into the Word and be strengthened by it?