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## Romans

- Most **THEOLOGICAL** book in the bible.
- “The **GREATEST** book of the new testament.” -Martin Luther
- “The epistle to the Romans is the most **PROFOUND** work in existence.”  
-S.T. Coleridge

## Romans 16

### I. The **COMMENDATION** of Phoebe.

*“I commend to you our sister **Phoebe**, who is a deacon in the church in Cencrea. Welcome her in the Lord as one who is worthy of honor among God’s people. Help her in whatever she needs, for she has been helpful to many, and especially to me.” Romans 16:1-2 (NLT)*

Timeless Truths:

- **RECEIVE** the message.
- **HELP** as needed.

### II. The **GREETINGS** to co-laborers.

*“Give my greetings to **Priscilla** and **Aquila**, my co-workers in the ministry of Christ Jesus. In fact, they once risked their lives for me. I am thankful to them, and so are all the Gentile churches. Also give my greetings to the church that meets in their home...*

*“Give my greetings to **Mary**, who has worked so hard for your benefit. Greet **Andronicus** and **Junia**, my fellow Jews, who were in prison with me. They are highly respected among the apostles and became followers of Christ before I did.” Romans 16:3-7(NLT)*

Timeless Truths:

- **Ministry is best done as a TEAM.**
- **WOMEN** helped lead the way.

### III. The **CAUTION** to the believers.

*“And now I make one more appeal, my dear brothers and sisters. Watch out for people who cause divisions and upset people’s faith by teaching things contrary to what you have been taught. Stay away from them. Such people are not serving Christ our Lord; they are serving their own personal interests...” Romans 16:17-18 (NLT)*

**Timeless Truths:**

- **Flee from divisions.**
- **Beware of false teachings.**
- **Be wise in how you behave.**

**IV. The CONCLUSION of the epistle.**

*“Now all glory to God, who is able to make you strong, just as my Good News says. This message about Jesus Christ has revealed His plan for you Gentiles, a plan kept secret from the beginning of time. But now as the prophets foretold and as the eternal God has commanded, this message is made known to all Gentiles everywhere, so that they too might believe and obey Him. All glory to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, forever. Amen.”*

*Romans 16:25-27 (NLT)*

Timeless Truth:

- **It all comes back to JESUS.**
- **Jesus is for EVERYONE.**

*Keep the conversation going...*

1. How has studying Romans personally affected me? What stood out to me the most?
2. What is one thing I can start doing now to support the ministry of Jesus and of Harvest?
3. Read Galatians 1:6-9. Why is it important to stay true to the Good News of Christ Jesus? How do I do that?
4. Since Jesus is for everyone, who do I need to share the Good News with?