Series: Romans April 7, 2024

Message: "A Model for Ministry" Romans 16:3-5

Big Idea: To love Christ is to love the church, to love the church is to love people, to love people is to want to bring them closer to Christ.

- I. Another look at chapter 16...
 - A. Paul has set the TABLE for this chapter in chapters 12-15.
 - B. Paul cares **DEEPLY** about people
- II. A very dynamic duo...
 - A. A PERSONAL connection v. 3a
 - 1. Their HISTORY with Paul
 - Acts 18:1-3 = CORINTH
 - Acts 18:18 = **EPHESUS**
 - Romans 16:5a = ROME
 - 2 Timothy 4:19 = <u>EPHESUS</u>
 - 2. Their NAMES recorded in Scripture
 - SIX times to be exact
 - Priscilla is mentioned <u>FIRST</u> (<u>FOUR</u> times)
 - 3. Their shared VOCATION

- 4. They shared their HOME B. A MINISTRY connection v. 3b
 - 1. They shared a SPIRITUAL relationship
 - 2. They shared in a commitment to **DISCIPLESHIP**
 - A man named APOLLOS
 - A more EXCELLENT way
 - Men... if your wife... Be THANKFUL and GET GOING!
- C. A LIFE RISKING connection v. 4
 - 1. What we DON'T know
 - 2. What we DO know
- D. A LOCAL church connection v. 5a
 - 1. PAUL loved the church
 - 2. They had a church in their HOME
- III. What we take away....

Wherever you find effective, productive ministry, look behind the scenes. There you'll find mission-minded, gospel-centered servants of Jesus Christ.