ROMANS 15:22-33

PARTNERS IN THE GOSPEL

Big Idea: God's mission calls us to pursue gospel opportunities, serve one another, and depend on Him through prayer.

PURSUE GOSPEL OPPORTUNITIES (*Romans 15:22-24)*

- What had prevented Paul from visiting Rome, and what does this reveal about his ministry priorities and his trust in God? (e.g. Acts 16:7; Proverbs 16:9)
- Why did Paul want to visit Rome on his way to Spain? What role did he hope the Roman believers would play in his mission? (e.g. 3 John 5-8)
- How should the mission of Jesus Christ influence the opportunities we pursue and the priorities we establish in our own lives? (e.g. Philippians 1:27)

PARTICIPATE IN GOSPEL MINISTRY (*Romans 15:25-29)*

- Why was Paul traveling to Jerusalem, and what had the believers in Macedonia and Achaia done to help the saints there?
- What spiritual obligation did the Gentile believers have toward the Jewish believers? How did their financial generosity demonstrate gospel unity? (e.g. Ephesians 2:13–19; 1 Corinthians 9:11)
- How can we use our resources, abilities, and opportunities to strengthen the church and participate in the advancement of the gospel? (e.g. 2 Corinthians 9:6–8; Galatians 6:10; Philippians 4:15-19)

PRAY FOR GOSPEL ADVANCEMENT (*Romans 15:30-33)*

- How does Paul appeal to the Roman believers to pray for him, and what does his request reveal about the importance of prayer in gospel ministry? (e.g. 2 Corinthians 1:10-11; Philippians 1:8-11; Colossians 1:9-12)
- What specific requests does Paul make, and what do they reveal about the challenges and concerns he faced?
- How can we become more intentional and specific in praying for missionaries, pastors, and fellow believers who are working to advance the gospel? (e.g. Ephesians 6:18–20; Colossians 4:2–4)

Final Thought for Discussion:

God never intended His mission to be accomplished by a few people while everyone else watches. He calls His entire church to participate. Some are called to go, others are called to send, all are called to serve, and every believer is called to pray. What is God calling you to do?