

College Age Class in “old” Auditorium

The Book of Romans

Chap 15-16

“...to the only wise God...”

Romans 15 & 16 Outline

- Romans 15:14-16 – Functioning Christians
- Romans 15:17-29 – Paul's Ministry
- Romans 15:30-33 – Practical Prayer
- Romans 16:1-16 – Meet the Congregation
- Romans 16:17-20 – A Final Warning
- Romans 16:21-27 – Salutations

Five Characteristics of Competent Saints (v.14-16)

- Full of Goodness (v.14a)
- Filled with all Knowledge (v.14b)
- Cares Deeply (v.14c)
- Missionary Heart (v.15-16)
- Effectiveness for Christ (v.16b)

Paul's Ministry (Rom. 15:17-29)

- Powerful (v.17-19)
- Pioneering (v.20-21)
- Travel Plans (22-29)
 - Rome
 - Jerusalem
 - Spain

Practical Prayer (Rom. 15:30-33)

Four things needed:

- Awareness of the Need (v.30)
- Willingness to Get Involved (v.30b)
- Preciseness of Specific Request (v.31-32)
- Restfulness in God's Will (v.33)

Meet the Congregation (Rom. 16:1-16)

- Pictures in the Foyer

- Diversity in the Church
 - Status
 - Race
 - Gender

- Unity of the Church
 - “...in Christ” (4x’s)
 - “...in the Lord” (5x’s)
 - “beloved”, “fellow-workers”, “fellow sufferers”

“Warnings” (Rom. 16:17-19)

- **The Problems** (v.17)
 - Dissensions
 - Hindrances

- **The Cause** (v.18)
 - Selfish Appetites
 - Deception

- **The Solution** (v.17-19)
 - Keep in eye on them
 - Turn away from them
 - Be wise in what is good...innocent in what is evil

Closing Thoughts (Chaps 16:19-27)

- Wisdom and Innocence (v. 19b)
- Peace and Victory (v.20a)
- Grace and Support (v.20 -23)
- Doxology (v.25-27)

And Finally Brethren...

- God's Power to Establish You
- The Gospel of Christ
 - “a revealed mystery”
 - “leading to obedience”
- God's Wisdom and Glory

Going through Romans...or Romans going through us?