ROMANS 16

The chapter consists mostly of greetings to and from certain brethren, many of whom Paul has been personally associated with. Warning and instruction is given in how to deal with those who bring a different teaching than what the saints had received. Finally there is a beautiful summation of the gospel's purpose – to produce obedient faith.

ROMANS 16:11-16

GREETINGS TO SAINTS

- "Greet Herodion, my countryman. Greet those who are of the household of Narcissus who are in the Lord.
- {12} Greet Tryphena and Tryphosa, who have labored in the Lord. Greet the beloved Persis, who labored much in the Lord.
- {13} Greet Rufus, chosen in the Lord, and his mother and mine.
- {14} Greet Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermas, Patrobas, Hermes, and the brethren who are with them.
- {15} Greet Philologus and Julia, Nereus and his sister, and Olympas, and all the saints who are with them.
- {16} Greet one another with a holy kiss. The churches of Christ greet you."

ROMANS 16:17-20

AVOID TEACHERS OF ANOTHER DOCTRINE

- "Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them.
- {18} For those who are such do not serve our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly, and by smooth words and flattering speech deceive the hearts of the simple.
- {19} For your obedience has become known to all. Therefore I am glad on your behalf; but I want you to be wise in what is good, and simple concerning evil.
- {20} And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen."

ROMANS 16:21-24 GREETINGS FROM PAUL'S COMPANIONS

- "Timothy, my fellow worker, and Lucius, Jason, and Sosipater, my countrymen, greet you.
- {22} I, Tertius, who wrote this epistle, greet you in the Lord.
- {23} Gaius, my host and the host of the whole church, greets you. Erastus, the treasurer of the city, greets you, and Quartus, a brother.
- {24} The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen."

ROMANS 16:25-27

THE DESIGN OF THE GOSPEL: TO PRODUCE AN OBEDIENT FAITH

"Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery kept secret since the world began

{26} but now made manifest, and by the prophetic Scriptures made known to all nations, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, for obedience to the faith—

{27} to God, alone wise, be glory through Jesus Christ forever. Amen."