

Study Questions for Romans 15-16

I. Romans 15:1-4

- A. Who are the strong and who are the weak?
- B. What is the overarching principle?
- C. How did Paul use the Old Testament?

II. Romans 15:5-13

- A. Could the Jews and the Gentiles really be united in one body?
- B. What does it mean to be of “one mind”? What does it *not* mean?
- C. How is it that the work of Christ blessed both the Gentiles and the Jews?

III. Romans 15:14-21

- A. Which attributes of Paul shine through in these passages?
- B. What does it mean that Paul was a “minister” of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles?
- C. What was Paul’s aim?
- D. What was Paul’s philosophy of missions?

IV. Romans 15:22-29

- A. Did Paul ever make it to Spain?
- B. What does “fulness” mean in verse 29? Has Paul used that word before?

V. Romans 15:30-33

- A. What did Paul ask the Roman Christians to do for him?
- B. Can we ask God to change his mind?
- C. How could these people have peace while facing persecution?

VI. Romans 16:1-2

- A. What can we learn from the 27 names in Chapter 16?
- B. Was Phoebe a deacon?

VII. Romans 16:3-4

- A. When did Priscilla and Aquila risk their life for Paul?

VIII. Romans 16:5-16

- A. Were Andronicus and Junia apostles?
- B. Who were those of the household of Aristobulus?
- C. What pun does Paul make about Tryphaena and Tryphosa?
- D. Who was Rufus?
- E. Did the church of Christ get its name from verse 16?

IX. Romans 16:17-20

- A. Were these dividers already present in the Roman church?
- B. Why doesn’t Chapter 14 apply to this situation?
- C. How are these verses often used to stifle criticism of false teachers?
- D. Is division always something to be avoided?
- E. In what two ways does Paul allude to the Garden of Eden?

X. Romans 16:21-24

- A. Who were Lucius, Jason, Sosipater, and Gaius?
- B. Who was Tertius?

XI. Romans 16:25-27

- A. What is this mystery that Paul talks about?
- B. What happened next?