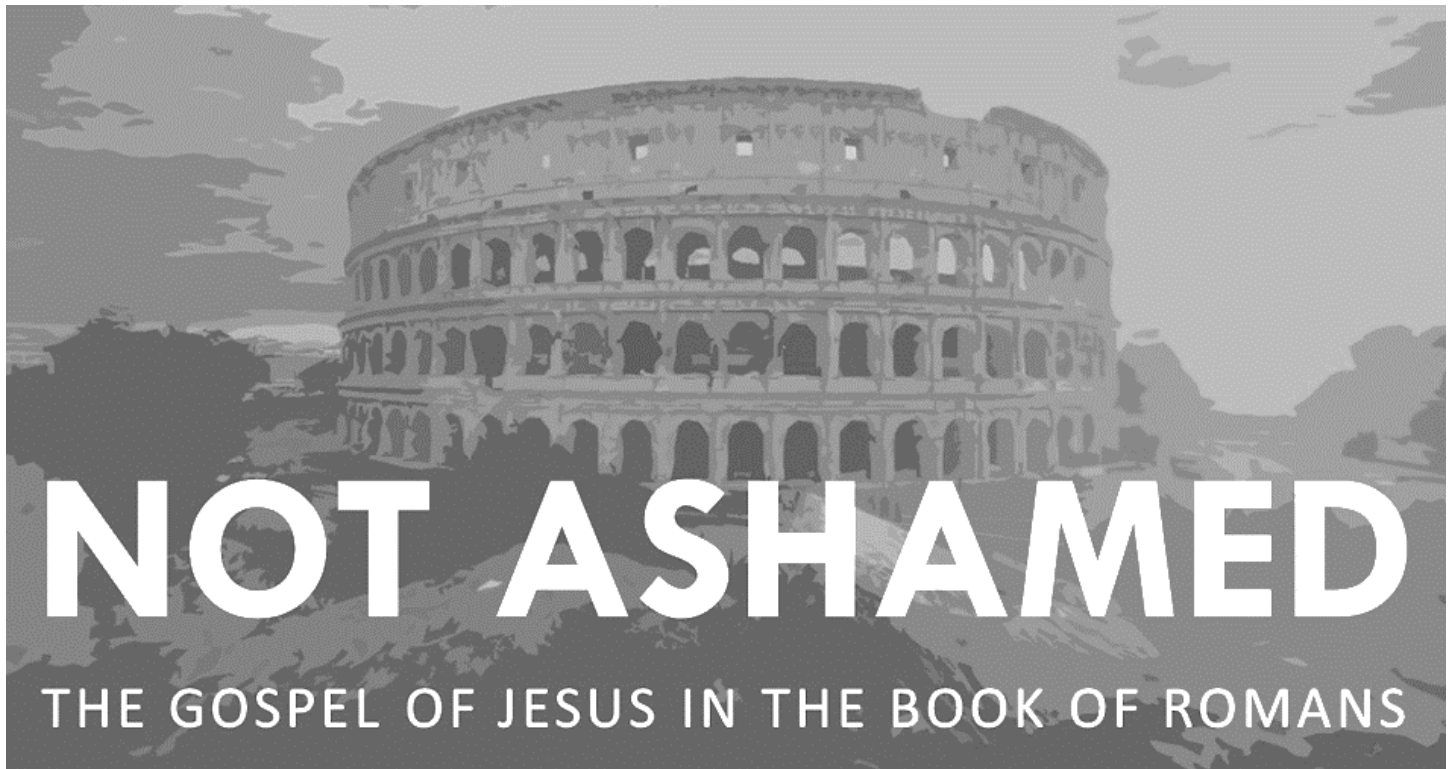




NOT ASHAMED

THE GOSPEL OF JESUS IN THE BOOK OF ROMANS

ROMANS 16:1-23

¹ I commend to you our sister Phoebe, a servant of the church at Cenchreae, ² that you may welcome her in the Lord in a way worthy of the saints, and help her in whatever she may need from you, for she has been a patron of many and of myself as well.

³ Greet Prisca and Aquila, my fellow workers in Christ Jesus, ⁴ who risked their necks for my life, to whom not only I give thanks but all the churches of the Gentiles give thanks as well. ⁵ Greet also the church in their house. Greet my beloved Epaphroditus, who was the first convert to Christ in Asia. ⁶ Greet Mary, who has worked hard for you. ⁷ Greet Andronicus and Junia, my kinsmen and my fellow prisoners. They are well known to the apostles, and they were in Christ before me. ⁸ Greet Ampliatus, my beloved in the Lord. ⁹ Greet Urbanus, our fellow worker in Christ, and my beloved Stachys. ¹⁰ Greet Apelles, who is approved in Christ. Greet those who belong to the family of Aristobulus. ¹¹ Greet my kinsman Herodion. Greet those in the Lord who belong to the family of Narcissus. ¹² Greet those workers in the Lord, Tryphena and Tryphosa. Greet the beloved Persis, who has worked hard in the Lord. ¹³ Greet Rufus, chosen in the Lord; also his mother, who has been a mother to me as well. ¹⁴ Greet Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermes, Patrobas, Hermas, and the brothers who are with them. ¹⁵ Greet Philologus, Julia, Nereus and his sister, and Olympas, and all the saints who are with them. ¹⁶ Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the churches of Christ greet you.

¹⁷ I appeal to you, brothers, to watch out for those who cause divisions and create obstacles contrary to the doctrine that you have been taught; avoid them. ¹⁸ For such persons do not serve our Lord Christ, but their own appetites, and by smooth talk and flattery they deceive the hearts of the naive. ¹⁹ For your obedience is known

to all, so that I rejoice over you, but I want you to be wise as to what is good and innocent as to what is evil.

²⁰ *The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.*

²¹ *Timothy, my fellow worker, greets you; so do Lucius and Jason and Sosipater, my kinsmen.* ²² *I Tertius, who wrote this letter, greet you in the Lord.* ²³ *Gaius, who is host to me and to the whole church, greets you. Erastus, the city treasurer, and our brother Quartus, greet you. (Romans 16:1-23)*

Introduction

- The final section of Romans focuses on the _____
(Romans 12:1-16:27).
 - Direct Application (Romans 12:1-15:13)
 - Personal Correspondence (Romans 15:14-16:27)

Three Lessons about the Christian Life

- Serving Christ with others builds incredible _____, and those relationships _____ us to continue serving Christ (Romans 16:1-16, 16:21-23).
- Christians must not be naïve and must always _____ for those who would destroy the church from within (Romans 16:17-19 ... Jude 1:3-4).
 - We must watch out for _____ people.
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- History will culminate in the God of _____ Satan under Christ and his church (Romans 16:20 ... Psalm 2:7-9, Matthew 16:18, Revelation 2:26-27).