



Sermon Discussion Guide

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SUMMARY

Big Idea: Live out the Gospel, Unashamedly, from the First Call of Your Name to the Final Amen
Our final chapter of Romans comes with Paul exemplifying the welcoming spirit he called us to in 15:7, giving us one final charge or warning about false teachers, and closing with a benediction and doxology that strongly echoes where Paul began the latter in 1:1-5. Throughout the chapter Paul's heart is to see the church living out the gospel, guarding against false teachers who would deceive and divide, with all of their hope and trust in the only wise God who is able not only to convert through the Gospel of Jesus, but also to strengthen us, establish us, making us steadfast to the end, making him worthy of all glory forevermore.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Refer to Romans 16:1-16

1. Consider how Paul knew, loved, and worked with so many fellow Christians. What does this teach us about the nature of the Christian life?
2. Where do you see this kind of welcoming spirit today?
3. What would growth in this area look like for you, as an **individual**, as a **family**, as a **life group**?

Read Romans 16:17-27

4. What makes Paul's instruction here (to avoid) different, good, needed, and not contradictory to his previous instructions and pleas for unity in chapters 14-15?
 - a. How do these twin exhortations demonstrate a needed balance between being a people marked by Grace AND Truth?
 - b. How do you keep that balance in your own life? Are you more prone to compromise Truth in order to appear or seem Gracious, or are you more prone to compromise being Gracious in pursuit of championing Truth?
 - c. How does Jesus (see John 1:14) and the Cross perfectly communicate both?
5. In v20, Paul says that the God of peace will crush Satan under our feet. What is significant about that reality? What is significant about the way Paul communicates that reality (refer to first gospel promise in Genesis 3:15)
6. Paul is confident that God, through the Gospel, will strengthen his church (v25.) In what specific area of your life right now do you feel like you need gospel strength?

End of Romans!

7. What Big Takeaways do you have from our study of Romans? How has God used Romans to give you new or fresh, unashamed boldness for the gospel, for the church and community, for the lost, and for eternity?