

# Romans

## (49) The Conclusion of the letter to the Romans

### *Paul gives personal credits...16:1-16*

Paul here lists 26 people by name, many others by groups. He mentions the following women:

Priscilla (3), Mary (6), Tryphena & Tryphosa (12), Persis (12), Rufus' mother (13), Nereus' sister (15), Junias ? (7), Julia ? (15)

Who is at the very top of Paul's list? vs.1-2 Why?

**Phoebe, a sister in the Lord. She had been a great help to many, including Paul.**

What is Paul's instruction about her? Why?

**She likely was chosen to carry/deliver this letter. Receive her in a way worthy of saints!**

What does this suggest about Phoebe? about Paul?

**She was highly respected in the church. Paul was indebted to her. Having Paul's praise...**

Who does Paul next recognize? vs.3 What distinguished them? vs.4 Acts 9:25

**Aquila and Priscilla. They risked their own lives for Paul. Much gratitude from all...**

What else do we know about this husband-wife team? Acts 18:1-3; 18:24-26

**Jewish (Aquila), tent makers, highly esteemed. Taught Apollos respectfully. Good folk!**

What was outstanding about Epenetus (5), Mary (6), Andronicus and Junias (7)?

**First convert in Asia. Worked hard for you (Romans). Imprisoned w/Paul. Outstanding!**

In general, what do you learn about Paul from the list of verse 8-15?

**Paul was a "people person"! He loved the saints and recognized exceptional service.**

What is Paul's command to the church at Rome? vs.16 Comment?

**Greet one another (saints) with a holy kiss. Jewish tradition. Spread in the early church.**

### *A few final instructions...16:17-27*

What is Paul's final warning to the church at Rome? vs.17-19 Action?

**Watch out, keep away from those who divide and put obstacles to sound teaching.**

How do such people operate? why? vs.18

**Smooth talk and flattery. Not serving Christ but their own appetites (self). Wise/innocent!**

What is the reminder of vs.20? Comment??

**The God of Peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. Victory in Christ is guaranteed!**

What is the "Pauline benediction" of vs.20?

**The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you. Amen and amen!**

Who wrote (penned) this letter? vs.21 Where was Paul writing from? vs.23

**Tertius was the scribe. Gaius was hosting the whole church, likely near Corinth.**

Why was this glorious Gospel just now being known? vs.25-26

**God had hidden it for long ages past, but NOW revealed and made known. The mysteries.**

And why are they now revealed? vs.26-27

**So that all nations might believe and obey Him. To HIM be glory forever by Jesus Christ.**

Amen