

Book to the Romans  
The Gospel [Good News] of God  
Salvation: The divine method of deliverance from sin  
X. Parting testimony and admonitions

- 1 Paul's desire and confidence in the Roman Church
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  - 5 Paul's ministry to the poor Jews of Jerusalem
  - 6 Paul's confidence in the power of the Gospel
  - 7 Prayer concerning his visit to Jerusalem and Rome
  - 8 Commendation of Phebe
    - a. Romans 16:1-27 I commend to you our sister Phoebe, a servant of the church in Cenchrea. [2] I ask you to receive her in the Lord in a way worthy of the saints and to give her any help she may need from you, for she has been a great help to many people, including me.
      - i. As I have shown many times, when the Holy Spirit is leading a believer to write, there is an order in how things are listed. Paul would have listed the one he felt most important in his list of recommendations.
        - (1) If Peter would have been in Rome as the bishop he would have been the first mentioned.
      - ii. Saints - called here - men and women upon the earth
        - (1) Psalm 37:28 For the Lord loves the just and will not forsake his faithful ones. They will be protected forever, but the offspring of the wicked will be cut off;
        - (2) Psalm 37:28 For the Lord loveth judgment, and forsaketh not his saints; they are preserved for ever: but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.
          - (a) from Hebrew 2616 (chacad) (religiously) *pious* (a saint) :- godly (man), good, holy (one), merciful, saint, [un-] godly
- 24 things that constitute a saint

1. Control of his own spirit	Psalm 37:1 Do not fret because of evil men or be envious of those who do wrong; Psalm 37:7-8 Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him; do not fret when men succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes. [8] Refrain from anger and turn from wrath; do not fret--it leads only to evil.
2. Freedom from jealousy and envy	: Psalm 37:1 above.
3. Absolute trust in God	Psalm 37:3 Trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture. Psalm 37:5 Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him and he will do this Psalm 37:40 The Lord helps them and delivers them; he delivers them from the wicked and saves them, because they take refuge in him.
4. Consecration to God	Psalm 37:3 see above

5. Constant delight in God	Psalm 37:4 Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart.
6. Keep life committed to God	Psalm 37:5 above
7. Simple faith in God	Psalm 37:5 above
8. Absolute dependence upon God	<p>Psalm 37:7 Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him; do not fret when men succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes.</p> <p>Psalm 37:9 For evil men will be cut off, but those who hope in the Lord will inherit the land.</p> <p>Psalm 37:39 The salvation of the righteous comes from the Lord; he is their stronghold in time of trouble.</p>
9 Freedom from anger and wrath	Psalm 37:8 above
10. Meekness and humility	Psalm 37:11 But the meek will inherit the land and enjoy great peace.
11. Abundance in peace	Psalm 37:11
12. Complete satisfaction with your life	<p>Psalm 37:16-19 Better the little that the righteous have than the wealth of many wicked; [17] for the power of the wicked will be broken, but the Lord upholds the righteous. [18] The days of the blameless are known to the Lord, and their inheritance will endure forever. [19] In times of disaster they will not wither; in days of famine they will enjoy plenty.</p>
13 Boldness in evil times	Psalm 37:19 above
14 Mercy, compassion and benevolence	<p>Psalm 37:21 The wicked borrow and do not repay, but the righteous give generously;</p> <p>Psalm 37:26 They are always generous and lend freely; their children will be blessed.</p>
15 Obey the leading of God	Psalm 37:23 If the Lord delights in a man's way, he makes his steps firm;
16 Freedom from discouragement in adversity	Psalm 37:24 though he stumble, he will not fall, for the Lord upholds him with his hand.
17 Home under control	Psalm 37:26 They are always generous and lend freely; their children will be blessed.
18 Righteous	<p>Psalm 37:21 above</p> <p>Psalm 37:29-30 the righteous will inherit the land and dwell in it forever. [30] The mouth of the righteous man utters wisdom, and his tongue speaks what is just.</p>

19 Wisdom and justice	Psalm 37:30 above
20 True to God's Law	Psalm 37:31 The law of his God is in his heart; his feet do not slip. Psalm 37:34 Wait for the Lord and keep his way. He will exalt you to inherit the land; when the wicked are cut off, you will see it.
21 Spreads truth among men	Psalm 37:30 above
22. Living perfect and upright	Psalm 37:37 above
23. possession of Full Salvation	Psalm 37:39-40 The salvation of the righteous comes from the Lord; he is their stronghold in time of trouble. [40] The Lord helps them and delivers them; he delivers them from the wicked and saves them, because they take refuge in him.
24 Stands firm in time of trouble	Psalm 37:39 see above

9 Christian greeting and salutations

- a. Romans 16: [3] Greet Priscilla and Aquila, my fellow workers in Christ Jesus. [4] They risked their lives for me. Not only I but all the churches of the Gentiles are grateful to them. [5] Greet also the church that meets at their house. Greet my dear friend Epenetus, who was the first convert to Christ in the province of Asia. [6] Greet Mary, who worked very hard for you. [7] Greet Andronicus and Junias, my relatives who have been in prison with me. They are outstanding among the apostles, and they were in Christ before I was. [8] Greet Ampliatus, whom I love in the Lord. [9] Greet Urbanus, our fellow worker in Christ, and my dear friend Stachys. [10] Greet Apelles, tested and approved in Christ. Greet those who belong to the household of Aristobulus. [11] Greet Herodion, my relative. Greet those in the household of Narcissus who are in the Lord. [12] Greet Tryphena and Tryphosa, those women who work hard in the Lord. Greet my dear friend Persis, another woman who has worked very hard in the Lord. [13] Greet Rufus, chosen in the Lord, and his mother, who has been a mother to me, too. [14] Greet Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermes, Patrobas, Hermas and the brothers with them. [15] Greet Philologus, Julia, Nereus and his sister, and Olympas and all the saints with them. [16] Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the churches of Christ send greetings.
  - i. Now Paul is going to point out "Saints" as you read their accomplishment you will see the true meaning of Psalm 37.
  - ii. Greet Priscilla and Aquila,
    - (1) my fellow workers in Christ Jesus. [4]
    - (a) They risked their lives for me
    - (2) Not only I but all the churches of the Gentiles are grateful to them.
    - (3) [5] Greet also the church that meets at their house.
  - iii. Greet my dear friend Epenetus,
    - (1) who was the first convert to Christ in the province of Asia
  - iv. Greet Mary,
    - (1) who worked very hard for you.
  - v. Greet Andronicus and Junias,
    - (1) my relatives
    - (2) who have been in prison with me.
    - (3) They are outstanding among the apostles,
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  - vi. Greet Ampliatus,

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- viii. and my dear friend Stachys.
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#### 10 Admonition to unity and sound doctrine.

- a. Romans 16: [17] I urge you, brothers, to watch out for those who cause divisions and put obstacles in your way that are contrary to the teaching you have learned. Keep away from them. [18] For such people are not serving our Lord Christ, but their own appetites. By smooth talk and flattery they deceive the minds of naive people. [19] Everyone has heard about your obedience, so I am full of joy over you; but I want you to be wise about what is good, and innocent about what is evil. [20] The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you.
  - i. Matthew 7:15 "Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ferocious wolves.
  - ii. Philip. 3:18-19 For, as I have often told you before and now say again even with tears, many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. [19] Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is on earthly things.
  - iii. 2 Peter 2:1 But there were also false prophets among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you. They will secretly introduce destructive heresies, even denying the sovereign Lord who bought them--bringing swift destruction on themselves.

#### 10 things that will point out a false teacher

1. Cause division among Christians	2. Cause offences against truth
3. Do not serve God	4. Serve themselves
5. Use slick tongues to deceive	6. Are enemies of the cross

7. Walk contrary to the Gospel	8. Glory in their shame
9. Mind earthly things	10. Bring in Heresies

#### 11 Greeting from others

- a. Romans 16:[21] Timothy, my fellow worker, sends his greetings to you, as do Lucius, Jason and Sosipater, my relatives. [22] I, Tertius, who wrote down this letter, greet you in the Lord. [23] Gaius, whose hospitality I and the whole church here enjoy, sends you his greetings .Erastus, who is the city's director of public works, and our brother Quartus send you their greetings. [24] The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all, A Men
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    - (1) my fellow worker,
    - (2) sends his greetings to you,
  - ii. Lucius, Jason and Sosipater,
    - (1) my relatives.
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  - vi. our brother Quartus
    - (1) send you their greetings.
- b. And Now From Paul
  - i. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all, A Men

#### 12 The benediction

- a. Romans 16: [25] Now to him who is able to establish you by my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery hidden for long ages past, [26] but now revealed and made known through the prophetic writings by the command of the eternal God, so that all nations might believe and obey him-- [27] to the only wise God be glory forever through Jesus Christ! Amen.
  - i. Here Paul will sum up the Gospel again.
    - (1) Now to him who is able to establish you by my gospel
    - (2) and the proclamation of Jesus Christ,
      - (a) according to the revelation of the mystery hidden for long ages past,
      - (b) but now revealed and made known through the prophetic writings
        - (i) by the command of the eternal God,
    - (3) so that all nations might believe and obey him--
    - (4) to the only wise God be glory forever through Jesus Christ! Amen.
- b. Something to ponder!!!!