

Wrestling with Romans
Romans 15:14-16:27
Discussion Guide, May 30, 2021

CHECK UP:

Memory Work Review: Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification. – Romans 14:19

- What intentional steps did you take to build up the church this past week?

OPEN:

- What new biblical truths have you learned in our study of Romans?
 - o What truths were reinforced?

READ and ASK: Romans 15:14-16:27

- From this passage, what do you admire most about Paul's ministry?
- What are some major encouragements that Paul stresses at the end of this letter?
- What kind of things does Paul commend in chapter 16?
 - o How do they show how we ought to judge "success"?
- How close does it appear Paul would let people get to him?
 - o How close do you let people get to you?
- What does it communicate that Paul list many men and women in this passage? What does the text communicate about roles that women played in the early church?
- What divisions and obstacles are the people to avoid?
- Look specifically at Romans 16:19. What does it mean to be wise about what is good? How does that help us to be innocent of evil?

APPLY:

- Paul's desire was to preach to those who had never heard about Christ. To what ministry do you feel God may be calling you?
- What are some of the teachings that divide the church today? How do you work for balance between the desire for unity and the desire to maintain truth?
- What can you, or your group, do to increase your participation in God's plan to lead all nations to believe and obey him? Do you view this task more as a grim duty, or as a tremendous privilege? Why?
 - o What does your answer show about your heart attitude toward the gospel?

- "GROW, GATHER, and GO" are strategies for becoming a better follower of Jesus. Which part of that strategy gives you the greatest challenge?
- NEXT STEP(S): If you had to pick a single takeaway from our study of Romans, which would be of greatest significance to you? How do you need to live that out? How do you need to live it out this week?

Memory Work:

Everyone has heard about your obedience, so I rejoice because of you; but I want you to be wise about what is good, and innocent about what is evil. – Romans 16:19