



ROMANS

Strong faith for life



25 Now all glory to God, who is able to make you strong, just as my Good News says. This message about Jesus Christ has revealed his plan for you Gentiles,.... so that they too might believe and obey him. Romans 16:25-26

- God's plan for us is to **believe** and **obey** God.

So why do you keep calling me 'Lord, Lord!' when you don't do what I say? Luke 6:46 (NLT)

1 I commend to you our sister Phoebe, who is a deacon in the church in Cenchrea. 2 Welcome her in the Lord as one who is worthy of honor among God's people. Help her in whatever she needs, for she has been helpful to many, and especially to me. 3 Give my greetings to Priscilla and Aquila, my co-workers in the ministry of Christ Jesus. 4 In fact, they once risked their lives for me. I am thankful to them, and so are all the Gentile churches. 5 Also give my greetings to the church that meets in their home. Greet my dear friend Epenetus. He was the first person from the province of Asia to become a follower of Christ. 6 Give my greetings to Mary, who has worked so hard for your benefit. 7 Greet Andronicus and Junia, my fellow Jews, who were in prison with me. They are highly respected among the apostles and became followers of Christ before I did. 8 Greet Ampliatus, my dear friend in the Lord. 9 Greet Urbanus, our co-worker in Christ, and my dear friend Stachys....16 Greet each other with a sacred kiss. All the churches of Christ send you their greetings. Romans 16:1-9,16

Paul wants us to see:

- The gospel creates a **family** we belong to.

1 I commend to you our sister Phoebe...Romans 16:1a

5 God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure. Ephesians 1:5 (NLT)

- The gospel calls us to a **team sport**.

9 We are God's workers, working together... 1 Corinthians 3:9

5 ...so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. Romans 12:5 (NIV)

- There are no **little people** in the family of God.

28 In Christ, there is no difference between Jew and Greek, slave and free person, male and female. You are all the same in Christ Jesus. Galatians 3:28

Yes, there are many parts, but only one body. The eye can never say to the hand, "I don't need you." The head can't say to the feet, "I don't need you." In fact, some parts of the body that seem weakest and least important are actually the most necessary. 1 Corinthians 12:20-22 (NLT)

- Those of us who have experienced the gospel **live** the gospel.

All of you together are the one body of Christ, and each one of you is a separate and necessary part of it. 1 Corinthians 12:27 (TLB)

27 You are Christ's body—that's who you are! You must never forget this. Only as you accept your part of that body does your "part" mean anything. 1 Corinthians 12:27 (MSG)

Don't let the **routine** of church life become a distraction to the mission of the gospel.

So brothers and sisters, since God has shown us great mercy, I beg you to offer your lives as a living sacrifice to him. Your offering must be only for God and pleasing to him, which is the spiritual way for you to worship. Romans 12:1

How we make the list:

- Because of the gospel, we make ourselves **available** to God.
- The gospel is expressed in our **faithfulness** to God.



TO CREATIVELY LOVE AND LEAD PEOPLE IN A GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS.

Questions that can be used in Connection Groups: *These questions also work well for personal time with God.*

- What scripture and/or point spoke most to you from the Talk on Sunday? Explain.
- Why is obedience from us tied to God's plan for us?
- How does the gospel create a family for us to belong to? Why is the family of God important for us?
- In a team sport everyone has a spot to fill, a part to play and a responsibility to the team. Why is it important that everyone on the team participates?
- What does it mean to you that there are no "little people in the family of God"?
- How does the routine of "church life" distract us from the mission of the gospel? Has that ever happened to you? Explain.
- Why is making ourselves available to God important? What does it mean to make ourselves available to God?
- Why is our faithfulness to God important?

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Sunday, Nov. 10 after The Gathering

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Baptism*

Dead to sin, Alive in Christ!
Please sign up in the courtyard



July 11-13
Quest Camp 2025

\$192 for 3 Nights
\$47 each extra night
\$13 for an extra vehicle

Sign up in the Courtyard
Drop your check in an Offering Box
in the back of the church.
Note on the check Memo Line It's for Quest Camp 2025.



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Items due at The Quest
by Sunday, November 24th

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The Gospel Is A Team Sport

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