**ROMANS 15:14 – 33**

Expanded Outline

B. Conclusion (15:14 – 16:27)

1. Personal matters (15:14 – 33)
2. Paul’s confidence in the Roman brethren (15:14)
3. Reasons for writing so boldly (15:15 – 16)
4. Paul’s labors as an apostle (15:17 – 21)
5. His boasting all in Christ (15:17 – 19a)
6. He had fulfilled his mission of preaching the Gospel to the Gentiles (15:19b)
7. He aspired to preach in new fields (15:20 – 21)
8. His plan to visit them on the way to Spain (15:22 – 29)
9. He had been hindered in visiting the Romans (15:22)
10. Now looking toward new opportunities in Spain and would visit Rome on the way there (15:23 – 24)
11. Delayed by journey to Jerusalem with a contribution for the poor saints (15:25 – 27)
12. References which help explain this offering: Acts 24:17; Acts 19:21; 1 Corinthians 16:1 – 2; 2 Corinthians 8:1 – 2; 2 Corinthians 9:2.
13. The word “contribution” in 15:26 is the same word translated as “fellowship” in Acts 2:42.
14. Gentiles in Macedonia and Achaia owed the Jews material support since it was though them that they received spiritual life (15:27)
15. Paul would visit Rome after his trip to Jerusalem (15:28 – 29)
16. Paul requests prayers of the Romans (15:30 – 32)
17. Desires petitions to God on his behalf (15:30)
18. That he might be delivered from disobedient individuals in Judea (15:31a)
19. That the offering would be acceptable (15:31b)
20. If these prayers are answered, he can come to Rome with joy and find rest (15:32)
21. A benediction for the Roman Christians (15:33)

Questions on Romans 15:14 – 33

1. What was Paul’ assessment of the Roman brethren according to 15:14?
2. Paul wrote to the Romans with boldness for what purpose?
3. Why had Paul been made a minister of Christ Jesus unto the Gentiles?
4. In what did Paul have his boasting?
5. How broadly had Paul preached the Gospel?
6. What accompanied the preaching of the Gospel?
7. Where did Paul seek to preach the Gospel?
8. How had Paul been hindered in visiting the Romans?
9. Why was it now possible for Paul to plan a visit to Rome?
10. Did he plan to stay permanently in Rome?
11. What was temporarily delaying Paul in his intended visit to Rome?
12. Who supplied the contribution that Paul was carrying to the poor saints in Jerusalem?
13. In what sense were the Gentile Christians indebted to the predominately Jewish Christians in Jerusalem?
14. Why do you think that Paul mentioned that he would visit Rome on his way to Spain (15:24, 28)?
15. What did Paul mean in 15:29 by “…I will come in the fullness of the blessing of Christ”?
16. What specific words in Paul’s request for the prayers of the Roman brethren reveal the intensity of his feelings?
17. What were the two specific things that Paul hoped to influence with the prayers of the saints at Rome (15:31)?
18. If these two things were achieved, what would be the result for Paul and the Roman Christians?
19. Was Paul’s use of a benediction (uttering or bestowing a blessing) in 15:33 just out of habit or custom? Explain your answer.