

T H E R E F O R E

ROMANS 12-16

CONVERSATION STARTER

Since the sermon series on Romans is ending, discuss your takeaways from the book of Romans. What are lessons learned that you can apply in your daily walk with Jesus? Are there chapters or verses from Romans that you reference or quote repeatedly? Why do those verses or chapters stand out to you?

DEEPER**Read Romans 16:17-20**

1. In verse 17, what is the doctrine (truths) the believers have been taught?
2. What is smooth talk and flattery that is meant to deceive the hearts of the naive and cause division? Have you seen examples of this in our world today?
3. What is Paul's guidance offered in verse 17 about how to respond to deceivers or promoters of false doctrine about essentials of the Christian faith? How should we put that guidance into practice?
4. Verse 19 says "be wise as to what is good, and innocent as to what is evil". What practices can help us gain wisdom and avoid participating in evil?
5. How can the obedient identify false teaching or false doctrine?
6. What is a "health, wealth, and prosperity" teaching and why is it misleading or deceptive?
7. Read John 10:9-11. Describe the abundant life that Jesus offers.
8. What do you think Paul meant by writing "The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet"? How can we be involved in God's work of crushing Satan?
9. Jesus crushed Satan and secured the victory forever. When will that victory be fully realized/experienced?

Read Romans 16:25-27

10. How do these verses say God is able to strengthen us in our faith? Can you identify at least three things or ways Paul notes? Or maybe four?
11. Why do you think Paul decided to end his letter in this way?

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PRAYER PROMPT

Pray for Gateway Church to be faithful to God and Jesus Christ and that faithfulness would be known by others and encouraging to them. Pray that Gateway Church will glorify God in faith and practice. Give thanks for the many ways that God's hand of blessing is upon our church and its people. Give thanks for new believers, discipleship in the church, resources for outreach and missions, and faithfulness to God's Word. Pray for the Holy Spirit to speak to those who have yet to believe and trust Jesus as Lord of their lives.