

Paul's Radical Friends

Romans 16:1-8

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Romans 16:1 I commend to you our sister Phoebe, a servant of the church at Cenchreae, 2 that you may welcome her in the Lord in a way worthy of the saints, and help her in whatever she may need from you, for she has been a patron of many and of myself as well. 3 Greet Prisca and Aquila, my fellow workers in Christ Jesus, 4 who risked their necks for my life, to whom not only I give thanks but all the churches of the Gentiles give thanks as well. 5 Greet also the church in their house. Greet my beloved Epaenetus, who was the first convert to Christ in Asia. 6 Greet Mary, who has worked hard for you. 7 Greet Andronicus and Junia, my kinsmen and my fellow prisoners. They are well known to the apostles, and they were in Christ before me. 8 Greet Ampliatius, my beloved in the Lord.

1. If you love Jesus, you will love His _____.

2. What is your _____?

3. Do you view yourself as a _____ of the Church?

4. Would you _____ your reputation, freedom, job, money, or life for Jesus or other Christians?

5. In general, couples who serve the Lord together, _____.

6. How can you use your _____ to love and minister to Believers this week?

7. Have you worked to the point of _____ serving Jesus' kids?

8. Christian, do you know you are _____!

9. May we be Christians who make radical decisions because we are living for _____ when we see the Lord!

Resources for Further Study:

1 Timothy 3:1-13, Titus 1:5-9, & 1 Peter 5:1-5

Leadership Series (Part 5), Menial, Mar. 24, 2012
Taking Ground (Part 2), Leading Strong, Jan. 18, 2014
1 Timothy Series, Revolutionary, Sep. 30, 2018

“Biblical Eldership” – Alexander Strauch

“The Air We Breathe” – Glen Scrivener

“The Rise of Christianity” – Rodney Stark

Discussion Questions:

1. What stood out to you in this weekend's teaching?
2. If Paul mentioned you in a hypothetical letter, what would he encourage you with?
3. What character quality mentioned in these verses do you want to grow in?
4. Do we regard our families and homes as gifts through which God can accomplish His work?
5. Pray for one another.

Next Week's Message: Romans 16:9-16