

# WORD OF GRACE

Part 26: Volunteers | Text: Romans 16

## Romans 16:1, 2

Can \_\_\_\_\_ hold offices in the church?

- Phoebe: deaconess / minister
- Phoebe was a business lady
- Six women mentioned in this list of 28  
Romans 16:3 | Romans 16:6 | Romans 16:7 | Romans 16:12  
Galatians 3:28, 29 | Acts 10:34 | Romans 10:12, 13 | Ephesians 5:31, 32

Galatians 3:28, 29 (NLT) There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male or female. For you are all Christians--you are one in Christ Jesus. (29) And now that you belong to Christ, you are the true children of Abraham. You are his heirs, and now all the promises God gave to him belong to you.

Ephesians 5:31, 32 (NLT) As the Scriptures say, "A man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one." (32) This is a great mystery, but it is an illustration of the way Christ and the church are one.

## Romans 16:3-16

**These names represent the people Paul learned to love in his missionary journeys. The Lord had moved all of these people back to Rome to establish a strong church in the heart of Christian persecution.**

- Priscilla and Aquila: Acts 18:2 | Acts 18:18 | 1 Corinthians 16:19
- Andronicus and Junia: Relatives and apostles
- Amplias: A slave's name
- Tryhena and Tryphosa: Labored to the point of exhaustion
- Rufus: Mark 15:21 | Acts 11:20 | Acts 19:33

## Romans 16:17-20

**The enemy will always come \_\_\_\_\_ to steal the seed.**

- Cause division among believers
- Cause offense against truth
- Cause not to serve God
- Serve their belly
- Slick tongues to deceive
- Enemies of the cross
- Lifestyle against the Gospel
- Glory in shame
- Teach heresies

**Satan will soon be \_\_\_\_\_ under our feet.  
Crushed: to trample upon, break in pieces, shatter, bruise, grind down, smash.**

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| • Genesis 3:15         | Seed of the women     |
| • Luke 10:19           | All authority         |
| • John 12:31, 32       | Satan has been judged |
| • Philippians 2:10, 11 | Everyone will bow     |
| • Revelation 20:1-10   | Lake of fire          |

Luke 10:19 (NKJV) "Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you."

## Romans 16:21-24

**Here is a list of Paul's disciples:**

- Timothy • Lucius • Jason • Sosipater • Gaius • Erastus • Quartus

## Romans 16:25-27

**The power of the Gospel is summarized in a doxology.**

Established: Turn resolute in a direction, steadfast, and strengthen

## D12 Group Discussion Questions

1. Discuss the idea of women in ministry.
2. Talk about how deception and division comes into a church.
3. Read the scriptures about the demise of Satan and then talk about it.
4. Read Romans 16:25-27 and discuss the power of the Gospel.

## Prayer Focus

Agree that we will have more than enough volunteers to do everything the Lord is directing us to do.