

ROMAN 16 vs 1

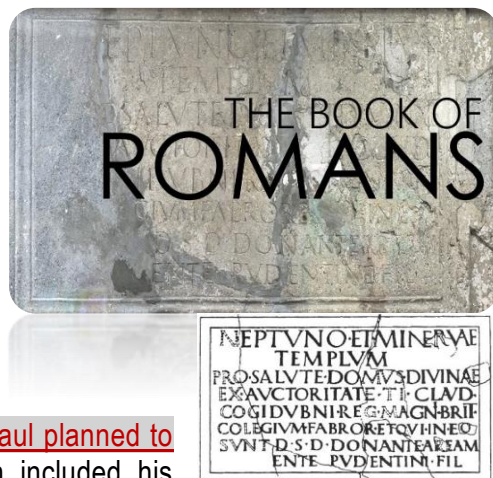
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Paul was a good teacher; in Galatians, we learn he was first taught 3 years, then 14 more years directly from the risen Lord, who is a good Teacher, too. The Book to the Romans is the grand manifesto of God... against all that is Mystery Babylon in the last days: the time of the 3 days of the Ingathering, shadows of things to come still on the Lord's calendar awaiting fulfillment.

Paul said, the kingdom of God is not a matter over what we eat and what we drink; rather it is about the place of rightness, joy and peace working in our lives through the Spirit of God;

In conclusion to what Paul said in chapter 15, we also know... Paul planned to stop by and visit those in the Palatium Britannicum; which included his brother (or half-brother) Rufus and his family -- mentioned in this chapter; found on the Chichester inscription (above where we read: The Book of Romans),



¹ I commend to you our sister Phebe, who is a servant of the congregation which is at Cenchrea:

² that you saints worthily receive her in the Lord, and you assist her in whatever business she needs of you: for she has been a helper of many, and of myself also.

³ Salute Priscilla and Aquila my co-laborers in Christ Jesus:

⁴ who for my life risked their own necks: to whom not only do I give thanks, but also all the congregations of the Gentiles;

⁵ also greet the congregation that is in their house. Salute my well-beloved Epaenetus, who is the firstfruits of Achaia to Christ / the first convert to Messiah in Asia Minor.

⁶ Salute Mary, who worked hard for us.

⁷ Salute Andronicus and Junias, my kinsmen, and my co-captives, who are notable among the apostles, who also were in Christ before me.

⁸ Salute Ampliatus my beloved in the Lord.

⁹ Salute Urbane, our co-laborer in Christ, and Stachys my beloved.

¹⁰ Salute Apelles the approved in Christ. Salute those who are of Aristobulus' household.

¹¹ Salute Herodion my kinsman. Salute those of the household of Narcissus, who are in the Lord.

¹² Salute Tryphena and Tryphosa, who labor in the Lord. Salute Persis, the beloved, who worked hard in the Lord.

¹³ Salute Rufus, a chosen man in the Lord, and his mother and mine.

¹⁴ Salute Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermas, Patrobas, Hermes, and the brothers who are with them.

¹⁵ Salute Philologus and Julia, Nereus and his sister, and Olympas, and all the saints who are with them.

¹⁶ Salute one another with a holy kiss / 5 times this phrase is used in the NT; [read our comments on 2 Corinthians 13:12.](#)

The congregations of Christ salute you.

Paul's final instruction to those in Rome, ending with a benediction:

¹⁷ Now I urge you, brothers and sisters, watch out for those who cause divisions and obstacles contrary to the teaching that you learned; and avoid them.

¹⁸ For such are slaves, not of our Lord Jesus Christ, but of their own appetites; and by smooth words and flattering speeches deceive the hearts of the unsuspecting.

¹⁹ For the report of your obedience has reached to all; therefore, I rejoice over you: but I want you to be wise in what is good, and innocent concerning evil.

²⁰ And now the God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

²¹ Timothy my co-laborer salutes you, as does Lucius, and Jason and Sosipater, my kinsmen.

²² I Tertius, who writes this letter, salute you in the Lord.

²³ Gaius my host, and all the congregation, salutes you. Erastus the city steward salutes you, and Quartus a brother.

²⁴ **The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.**

²⁵ Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret for long ages past,

²⁶ **but now is shown, and by the Scriptures of the prophets, according to the instruction of the eternal God,** made known to all nations for the obedience of faith:

²⁷ **to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ be glory forever. Amen.**

The book of Romans was written to the early church in Rome: keep in mind the people met in homes where they were taught. Paul-- Inspired by the Spirit wrote this book, so it is just what the Lord knew those in Rome needed to know. In its Chapters we learn no hocus pocus is needed to ascend to heaven, or descend to the pit to bring up Christ. The word is near us, even in our mouth; **if you confess Jesus as Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead you will be saved.**

Paul, like the disciple John -- say nothing about the bread and wine; as if it is not a high priority. To the romans, Paul says nothing about communion; he mentioned neither transubstantiation, or consubstantiation. He did not refer to prayer beads, nor make a remark about wearing special robes, collars, mitres or skullcaps. He said nothing about lighting candles. No mention of Mary. No reference of some mother of God. Definitely No queen of heaven -- **Prophet Jeremiah in chapters 44** took care of that demonic worship 500 years earlier. Paul had no papal bull crap to be concerned with: though he does thank God through Jesus Christ for all the faithful ones during that time in Rome.

So what happened? Did some mutton head, not led by the Spirit, not called up to the 3rd heaven, infiltrate the people of God with their evil that Paul never thought to tell Rome? **YES.** Many wolves in sheep's clothing came after Paul; disrupters inserting confusion: Let them be accursed; let them be as vessels worthy of the wrath of God, who sacrifice offerings to demons. **Come out of her My people.**

If you attend an assembly prone to go beyond what Paul and the Twelve first told us, then **come out of her my people.** Follow Jesus! Don't get in front of His agenda. 3 days still are on the Lord's calendar. **3 Days are still on His Calendar**