

Part VII

Paul's Letter to the

Romans

Ch. 15:14-21





EVERY PROFESSING CHRISTIAN OUGHT ALWAYS
TO BE THE HARDEST WORKING, MOST
TRUSTWORTHY EMPLOYEE TO HIS EMPLOYER.

~ESPECIALLY THE PASTOR!

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14 And concerning you, my brethren, I myself also am convinced that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge and able also to admonish one another.

15 But I have written very boldly to you on some points so as to remind you again, because of the grace that was given me from God,

16 to be a minister of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles, ministering as a priest the gospel of God, so that my offering of the Gentiles may become acceptable, sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

17 Therefore in Christ Jesus I have found reason for boasting in things pertaining to God.

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UNDER INSPIRATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
THE APOSTLE PAUL WROTE:

1) Romans

2) 1 Corinthians

3) 2 Corinthians

4) Galatians

5) Ephesian

6) Philippians

7) Colossians

8) 1 Thessalonians

9) 2 Thessalonians

10) 1 Timothy

11) 2 Timothy

12) Titus

13) Philemon

14) Maybe Hebrews!



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Iconium City or geographical region mentioned during Paul's 1st Journey





...giving evidence that Christ had to suffer and rise from the dead...

Lydia & Philippian Jailor

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Macedonian man vision

Over 1.5 year stay
1 & 2 Thessalonians written

Galatians written after 2nd Journey?

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Lystra City or region mentioned during Paul's 2nd Journey

- Barnabas and John Mark, Acts 15:36-39
- 1 → Paul and Silas through Asia Minor, Acts 15:40-16:10
- 2 → Greece: Macedonia and Achaia, Acts 16:11-18:17
- 3 → Return Journey via Ephesus and Jerusalem to Antioch, Acts 18:18-22

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Romans 15:19

2 Corinthians written

Philippi

Neapolis

MACEDONIA

Thessalonica

Berea

Mt. Olympus

EPIRUS

Nicopolis

ADRIATIC SEA

ACHAIA

Corinth

Cenchreae

Romans written

Peloponnese

Sparta

Athens

Piraeus

AEGEAN SEA

Troas

Assos

LESBOS

Mitylene

CHIOS

Smyrna

Pergamum

Kaikos R.

Thyatira

Sardis

Philadelphía

Meander R.

Laodicea

Colossae

1 Corinthians written

Ephesus

SAMOS

Miletus

PATMOS

COS

RHODES

LYCIA

Patara

PHRYGIA

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Pisidian Antioch

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FULL TIME PASTOR MAKES HIS LIVING FROM TEACHING/PREACHING



- ✓ 1 Cor. 9:14 "So also the Lord directed those who proclaim the gospel to get their living from the gospel."
- ✓ 1 Tim. 5:17-18 "The elders who rule well are to be considered worthy of double honor, especially those **who work hard at preaching and teaching.** For the Scripture says, "YOU SHALL NOT MUZZLE THE OX WHILE HE IS THRESHING," and "The laborer is worthy of his wages.'""

James warns:



“Let not many of you become teachers, my
brethren, knowing that as such we will incur the
stricter judgment.”

~James 3:1

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JESUS

IN JOHN 4:34-35



“My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me and to accomplish His work. “Do you not say, ‘There are yet four months, and then comes the harvest’? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look on the fields, that they are white for harvest.”