**Romans 16 Listening Sheet**

**This chapter has four distinct sections as Paul concludes his magnum opus to the church at Rome.**

1. **Paul’s Commendation of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (vv.1-2).**

Paul \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for her b/c she’s a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to them and on her way there.

From Cenchrea (seaport city for Corinth) 7 miles away

Paul spent \_\_ months in Corinth. Likely knows her well.

Benefactor, providing travel assistance to Paul and others

Saved, Set apart, Servant of Christ! = Visit of sick, relief of poor

Now she’s traveling to Rome entrusted w/ Paul’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the Romans!

Q: Ladies, could Paul commend you like this?

1. **Paul’s Greetings to the Saints of Rome (vv.3-16)**

Q: Why does Paul do this?

He names \_\_\_\_ individuals (\_\_\_\_ are women), possibly two married couples (v.3 and v.7) 2 households (vv.10-11) and possibly 3 \_\_\_\_ groups (v.5, 14, 15)!

Interesting tidbits gleaned from Commentaries:

* Majority are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ names
* Archeologists: many names of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Tryphaena and Tryphosa (v.12) probably sisters of wealthy background; “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” or “\_\_\_\_\_\_”, yet “workers” in the Lord
* Rufus – v.13; Likely the son of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of Cyrene.
* v.7 “outstanding among the apostles”?

Resolution …

Either “apostle” in looser sense OR “highly respected among the apostles”

Finally, he commands “Greet one another” v.16.

Q: Why is greeting one another important?

**Five Lessons for us from Paul’s Greetings:**

1. Greet one another by \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Greet brothers and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Christ!

Paul, the accused misogynist, greets \_\_\_ different women.

No place in body of Christ for \_\_\_\_\_\_.

1. Greet Jews and Gentiles! No place for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. Greet rich, \_\_\_\_\_\_ and all in between. No place for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or elitism.
3. Greet using proper \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ customs.
4. **Paul’s Warning about False Teachers (vv.17-20)**

From warm and friendly to turning away from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Like Acts 20:29

* Some aren’t brothers like \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or sisters like Phoebe.
* Some don’t serve the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, but themselves.
* Some should NOT be helped on their way in ministry or missions.

Don’t give them a hearing. NIV – “Keep away from them!”

Obeying this separates true churches from \_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_

Douglas Moo: “False teachers are divisive, self-centered, persuasive, teach what is contrary to the gospel and must therefore be avoided at all costs.”

Q: How does soon crushing of Satan fit this paragraph?

1. **Greetings from the Saints in Corinth (vv.21-24)**
2. **Paul’s Closing Doxology (vv.25-27)**

What mystery? “of the gospel” (Eph. 6:19, Col. 1:26-27; Col. 2:2)