

ROMANS 16:25-27
That's a Wrap

I. God strengthens us by His _____ .

... according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ ... v. 25b

For us, in us, through us

Commit to _____ in the work of God.

II. God strengthens us with His _____ .

... according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations ... vv. 25c-26a

Plan, purpose

Commit to _____ in the Word of God.

III. God strengthens us when we _____ .

... according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith—to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen. vv. 26b-27

Commit to _____ the one and only God.

Amen: _____ in!

*In Light
of
Christ*

Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal His truth and wisdom as you go through this lesson.

1. Read Romans 16:25-27. Paul states that God is able to strengthen us by the gospel. In what ways are you strengthened through ...

- His work?
- His Word?
- worshiping Him?

2. Look over your notes from the sermon. What thoughts from the pastor encouraged you?

"If we desire our faith to be strengthened, we should not shrink from opportunities where our faith may be tried, and therefore, through trial, be strengthened."

GEORGE MUELLER

"Paul concludes his book in praise of God's wisdom. God's wisdom is seen in Christ himself, 'in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge' (Col 2:3), above all in his cross that, though foolish to human beings, is the wisdom of God (1 Cor 1:24), in God's decision to save the world not through its own wisdom but through the folly of the gospel (1 Cor 1:21), in the extraordinary phenomenon of the emerging multiracial, multicultural church (Eph 3:10), and in his purpose ultimately to unite everything under Christ (Eph 1:7-10). No wonder Paul has already broken out in praise of God's wisdom: 'Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!' (11:33). No wonder he does it again at the end of his letter."

JOHN STOTT

"Christians are established by the truth, which explains why Paul wrote this letter: to explain God's plan of salvation to Christians so they would be established, and so they would share the truth with the lost. After all, we cannot really share with others something we do not have ourselves."

WARREN WIERSBE

3. Go back to verse 1 and study Paul's entire closing prayer. Not only does Paul send greetings to his friends in Rome, he also sends greetings from eight of the friends who are with him. What insights do you gain here about Paul's circle of friends?

4. If you were traveling like in Paul's day and wrote a letter to your church, who would you greet and what would you say to them?

5. Paul closes his letter with a prayer of praise for God's wisdom and a desire for His eternal glory. What are some ways you desire for God's eternal glory to be revealed?

6. Create a prayer based on Paul's closing prayer of verses 15-27. Meditate on each phrase. Pray each phrase in your own words, adding personal notes. As you near the end of the prayer, consider God's wisdom and respond to Him accordingly.

RECAP OF ROMANS

As we conclude our studies (*The Road to Redemption* and *The Light of Christ*) in Romans, what have you learned from this book that has been particularly helpful for your walk with God?

What have you learned about Jesus in this study, and how did that shed light on the character of God?

What implications does this study have for your life? How does it make you want to respond?

A WONDERFUL OFFER

Being a Christian isn't based on membership in a local church or keeping a set of rules. It involves a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and an understanding of who He is and what He has done to provide man with a way to experience God's love for us. Here's how to know Jesus Christ as your personal Savior:

1. Realize that you are sinful and separated from God. (Romans 3:23; Isaiah 53:6)
2. Recognize that the penalty for your sin is death—eternal separation from God and all that is good. (Romans 6:23; Hebrews 9:27)
3. Understand that Jesus Christ took the penalty for your sin by dying in your place and that He rose again. (Romans 5:8; 2 Corinthians 5:21)
4. Receive the free gift of salvation by trusting in Christ alone as your Savior. (Romans 4:4-5; Ephesians 2:8-9)

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life." (John 3:16 NASB) You can use this prayer to express your decision to God:

"Dear God, I know that I am a sinner. I believe that Jesus Christ died on the cross for me and rose from the dead. I trust in Him alone as the only way to get right with You. Thank You for the forgiveness of sins and the eternal life I now have. Amen."

COMING UP AT CHRIST CHAPEL

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BAND OF BROTHERS: GETTING TO KNOW GOD It's been said that the most important thing about us is what we think about God. This spring, get to know God more deeply alongside other men at Band of Brothers and study His various names found in the Old and New Testament. In this study, you'll sit around tables and discuss the profound truth of God's holiness, power, mercy, and love and how knowing what's true about God helps us understand what is true about ourselves. Sign up at www.ccbcfamily.org/bob.

WOMEN IN THE WORD: WORTHY OF THE GOSPEL Encouragement. It's one of the main themes throughout the New Testament letters, and this spring, Women in the Word will be studying Colossians, Philippians, Titus, and Philemon to grasp a greater knowledge of the encouragement that comes from Christ and being His disciple. In these letters, Paul gives the Church specific guidance and perspective on following Jesus, encouraging one another and working together to advance the news of the gospel — which is what we want to do in the new year, together! Sign up today at www.ccbcfamily.org/wiw.

HOME GROUPS Faith lived out in community is what a Home Group is all about, and we're excited you are interested in joining one! We hope these groups are a space for you to do life with others as you lift the name of Jesus in community. While we do our best to find the perfect Home Group for you, keep in mind that beginning your own is also an excellent place to start! Visit www.ccbcfamily.org/groups to start.

BE, MAKE AND REACH IN 2025 WITH END-OF-YEAR GIVING There are multiple ways you give throughout a year, and we want to thank you for stepping into the places of need to show our neighboring communities and the world the love of Jesus. During December, we collect a special gift for End-of-Year Giving, and for 2025, we're focusing on making room for people in need. This includes giving to the next generation, missions and ministry and our church partners in El Salvador. Learn more at www.ccbcfamily.org/give and pick up an EOY envelope during the worship service.



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