Text:

Romans 16:21-27

Timotheus my workfellow, and Lucius, and Jason, and Sosipater, my kinsmen, salute you. [22] I Tertius, who wrote this epistle, salute you in the Lord. [23] Gaius mine host, and of the whole church, saluteth you. Erastus the chamberlain of the city saluteth you, and Quartus a brother. [24] The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen. [25] Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began, [26] But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith: [27] To God only wise, be glory through Jesus Christ for ever. Amen.

Introduction:

As Paul comes to the end of the book of Romans, he concludes it with a list of names that is rather long. In fact, there are 35 names mentioned in these verses. He also addresses two different households and at least
three churches. Many people might read this list and conclude that there is nothing of value contained here.

But, the truth is far different.

Two week we looked at the “Friends To Greet. Last week Paul draws attention to “Some Foes To Avoid”

This week we’ll look at “Some Faithful Servants To Honor.”

1. THE GREETINGS CONVEYED FROM THE SAINTS OF GOD

A. Timotheus - Paul’s son in the ministry

B. Lucius - A Kinsman Lucius mean to illuminate.

C. Jason - A kinsman A man who had suffered for housing Paul.

Acts 17:5-6
But the Jews which believed not, moved with envy, took unto them certain lewd fellows of the baser sort, and gathered a company, and set all the city on an uproar, and assaulted the house of Jason, and sought to bring them out to the people. [6] And when they found them not, they drew Jason and certain brethren

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unto the rulers of the city, crying, These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also;

D. Sosipater- A kinsman - Was one that accompanied Paul on his trip to Asia.

E. Tertius - The writer of this letter. Probably because of Paul's failing eyesight.

F. Gaius - Paul’s host

G. Erastus - City treasure

H. Quartus - A fellow believer

2. **Grace Conferrred By The Son of God**

Romans 16:24

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

Paul repeats the benidiction of verse 20.

A. The work of God Declared

Romans 16:25-26

Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began, [26] But
now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith:

1. It is within God’s power to establish His work. (25a)

2. It is within God’s purpose to establish His work. (25b - 26)

B. The wisdom of God Declared

Romans 16:27
To God only wise, be glory through Jesus Christ for ever. Amen.

1. The God who knows all.