

Romans # 196

“Say Hello to my Friends”

Romans 16:6-12

The church is made up of ordinary, yet diverse people who know TLJC and are growing in Him at different rates; serving Him in different capacities and loving one another in the process.

Whether we are rich or poor, common or important, male or female; no matter what our background, God’s eternal blessings are offered to us in Christ Jesus if we will trust in Him as our Savior.

As a mature believer, Mary is one of those great people in time who is even going to be greater in eternity.

This verse views Mary’s maturity as a royal priest, emphasizing its results in the production from her royal ambassadorship.

While Christian women are prohibited from the gift of pastor-teacher, they are not hindered from having a ministry nor are they prevented from teaching biblical truth to children, other women or in special cases, men in the company of a qualified male.

Apostle can have two different meanings; in a narrow sense, it is twelve select men with the spiritual gift and office of apostle who were rulers of the church prior to the completion of the canon of Scripture and many were writers of the NT epistles.

There is a broader use of apostle for missionaries in the early church that did some of the work of an apostle and that’s what we have here.

Andronicus and Junia are missionaries who have delegated authority from the Twelve to follow the indigenous principle of establishing churches and training pastors because the churches had to be self-sustaining.

The personal self-determination in the soul that makes a person go it alone in the intake of the Word makes it possible for the most glorious dying alone in dying grace where the Word of God makes the difference.

Ampliatius may be unknown to history but he’s well-known to God; nothing we ever do is ignored by God.

Urbanus means ‘of the city’ and he is a Gentile listed as a former slave who was freed and in the spiritual realm, he advanced to maturity; emphasizing that whatever we were prior to salvation is of no consequence because the only thing that counts is advance through the intake of the Word of God.

Special honor is extended by the Holy Spirit from the apostle Paul to believers in every walk of life who have one thing in common; they’ve attained spiritual maturity.

Regarding the RFHC, these names are memorials to believers in all circumstances of life who have honor and integrity from biblical truth in their souls.

Obviously then, the way to prepare for death is the same way as to prepare for life—persistent positive response to the Word of God, resulting in accumulation of the inner resources of grace for every circumstance of life and death.

No one has the real picture of eternity and appreciates it like the mature believer but eternity can be real to a positive believer in any stage of growth if he understands that he can rule 10 cities, have many crowns and receive a hundredfold harvest.

But eternity can only be fully understood by the mature believer who's passed the undeserved suffering test and actually sees eternity from the Word rather than from analogy.

Circumstances do not hinder evangelism or the advance to spiritual maturity when positive response to the Word of God exists.

Biblical truth provides the inner beauty for a woman that is true femininity which motivates honor in the men associated with a woman of such spiritual magnificence.

They're motivated to the point of both mental and physical weariness, so what we think and how we're motivated is the real issue.

Biblical truth in the soul is the source of a woman's inner beauty and also the source of her incentive to keep going when she's mentally and physically exhausted.