Questions on Romans chapter 16

1. The word for servant, *diakonos,* is sometimes translated deacon. Was Phoebe a deaconess? Where was Cenchrea? Verse 1.

2. What is meant by the exhortation to “receive her in the Lord”? Verse 2.

3. Where did Paul first meet Priscilla and Aquila? Where had they lived before that time? Verse 3.

4. At what possible time and place did they risk their lives for Paul? Verse 4.

5. Is there any hint in this verse as to how the church may have started in Rome? Verse 5.

6. How is Mary an example for women today? Verse 6.

7. Since these two relatives of Paul were in Christ before him, what can we speculate about “the strangers of Rome” on the day of Pentecost (see Acts 2:10), and how the church in Rome may have begun? Verse 7.

8. In what way does Paul show his affection for disciples in this chapter besides mentioning their names? Verses 8-10.

9. Which one in this verse was Paul’s relative? Verse 11.

10. What is outstanding in Paul’s mind concerning Tryphena, Tryphosa, and Persis? Verse 12.

11. Was Rufus’ mother also Paul’s mother or was the term used figuratively? Verse 13.

12. How could Paul have known so many people in Rome without ever having been there? Verse 14.

13. What in this chapter argues against the idea that Paul felt women had no place in the church? Verse 15.

14. Is Paul commanding a holy kiss or is he regulating a custom? Verse 16.

15. What two things does Paul urge the brethren to do concerning those who “cause divisions and offenses to the doctrine which ye have learned”? Verse 17.

16. How are those who cause divisions able to deceive the unsuspicious? Verse 18.

17. What was known far and wide about the church at Rome? Verse 19.

18. What will be the result if the church at Rome is “wise unto that which is good and simple concerning evil”? Verse 20.

19. What is the relationship to Paul of those mentioned in this verse? Verse 21.

20. Why does Tertius claim to have written the epistle? Verse 22.

21. What do we know about Gaius and Erastus? Verse 23.

22. Why does Paul stress it was “my gospel”? Verses 24-25.

23. What is the mystery that is now made manifest? Verse 26.

24. Who is it “that is of power to stablish you”? Verse 27.