

1 Corinthians 16:15-24 (March 26, 2023)

OPENING QUESTION:

SERMON DISCUSSION: How were you impacted by the sermon? What new thoughts or lessons did you discover? In what ways did you find yourself challenged and/or encouraged?

BIBLE PASSAGE STUDY QUESTIONS: READ 1 Corinthians 16:15-24

NOTE: Previously Paul said, “Let all that you do be done in love” (1 Corinthians 16:14). In this lesson covering Paul’s closing remarks to the Corinthians, look for the practical expressions of love and fellowship that he encourages within the body of Christ.

1. a. What is notable about the household of Stephanas? Discuss how this household expressed love? How have you witnessed the dedication and loving actions of others in the local church?
- b. How was the church to express love to Stephanas and fellow workers? Name practical and loving ways the church can “be subject to”/submit to other fellow believers (Ephesians 5:21)?

2. From 1 Corinthians 16:17-18:

How did Stephanas, Fortunatus, and Achaicus bless Paul and the Corinthians? Give Paul’s instruction concerning “such” people” and how this is applicable to the church today.

3. Read Romans 16:3-5a; Acts 18:1-4, 18-19; 1 Corinthians 16:19. Comment on the loving relationship of Aquila and Priscilla and their home church to:

Paul

The Corinthians

4. Discuss why Paul would say “Let all that you do be done in love” and “If anyone has no love for the Lord, let him be accursed” (Mark 12:28-30; 1 Corinthians 16:14, 22a).

5. “Our Lord, come” means *maranatha* in Aramaic. It probably was an early Jewish Christian prayer for the return of Jesus. It is a cry of hope. What are your feelings about this cry in our present time?

6. From your study of 1 Corinthians what has been a key lesson you have found?