

# Romans 15:14-33

**Romans 15:14** – “I myself am satisfied about you, my brothers, that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with all knowledge and able to instruct one another.

3982 [e]	1161 [e]	80 [e]	1473 [e]	2532 [e]	846 [e]	1473 [e]	4012 [e]	4771 [e]	3754 [e]	2532 [e]	846 [e]	3324 [e]	1510 [e]
Pepeismai	de	adelphoi	mou	kai	autos	egō	peri	hymōn	hoti	kai	autoi	mestoi	este
14 Πέπεισμαι	δέ ,	ἀδελφοί	μου ,	καὶ	αὐτὸς	ἐγὼ	περὶ	ὑμῶν ,	ὅτι	καὶ	αὐτοὶ	μεστοί	ἐστε
I am persuaded	moreover	brothers	of me	also	myself	I	concerning	you	that	also	you yourselves	full	are
V-RIM/P-1S	Conj	N-VMP	PPro-G1S	Conj	PPro-NM3S	PPro-N1S	Prep	PPro-G2P	Conj	Conj	PPro-NM3P	Adj-NMP	V-PIA-2P

19 [e]	4137 [e]	3956 [e]	3588 [e]	1108 [e]	1410 [e]	2532 [e]	240 [e]	3560 [e]
agathōsynēs	peplērōmenoi	pasēs	tēs	gnōseōs	dynamenoi	kai	allēlous	nouthetein
ἀγαθωσύνης ,	πεπληρωμένοι	πάσης	τῆς	γνώσεως ,	δυνάμενοι	καὶ	ἀλλήλους	νουθετεῖν .
of goodness	being filled	with all	-	knowledge	being able	also	one another	to admonish
N-GFS	V-RPM/P-NMP	Adj-GFS	Art-GFS	N-GFS	V-PPM/P-NMP	Conj	RecPro-AMP	V-PNA

- Paul makes it clear he is NOT trying to step on toes or trying to insinuate that the Roman church has problems that they cannot handle without Paul intervening.
- This is NOT a letter like 1 and 2 Corinthians
- Hebrews 5:12 – should have become able to teach in Hebrews 5

**Romans 15:15** – “But on some points I have written to you very boldly by way of reminder, because of the grace given me by God

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tolmēroteron	de	egrapsa	hymīn	apo	merous	hōs	epanamimnēskōn	hymas	dia	tēn	charin	tēn
15 τολμηρότερον*	δὲ	ἔγραψα	ὑμῖν ,	ἀπὸ	μέρους ,	ὡς	ἐπαναμνησκῶν	ὑμᾶς ,	διὰ	τὴν	χάριν	τὴν
More boldly	however	I have written	to you	in	part	as	reminding	you	because of	the	grace	-
Adv	Conj	V-AIA-1S	PPro-D2P	Prep	N-GNS	Adv	V-PPA-NMS	PPro-A2P	Prep	Art-AFS	N-AFS	Art-AFS

1325 [e]	1473 [e]	5259 [e]	3588 [e]	2316 [e]
dotheisan	moi	hypo	tou	Theou
δοθεῖσάν	μοι	ὑπὸ*	τοῦ	Θεοῦ ,
having been given	to me	by	-	God
V-APP-AFS	PPro-D1S	Prep	Art-GMS	N-GMS

**Romans 15:16** – “to be a minister of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles in the priestly service of the gospel of God, so that the offering of the Gentiles may be acceptable, sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

- Priestly/Temple language
  - Minister – leitourgos
    - Minister” is the word latpeuontes (which can be translated “worship”) that comes from latreuo (λατρευω) o It is directly connected to temple service. For example latpeia means “the temple cultus” as in Romans 9:4 and 12:1 o Λατρευω or latreuo always refers to divine service to God (Exodus 23:25; Deuteronomy 6:13; Luke 2:37, 4:8) or Pagan deities (Exod. 20:5; Romans 1:25), but never refers to service in a human relationship or in a secular sense. o Latreuontes refers to the whole Christian life in Christ ♣ The temple service or the cultic rituals have become spiritual manifestations in the daily life of the believer. Consider: • Hebrews 13:15 - “Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise--the fruit of lips that openly profess his name.” • Romans 12:1 - “Therefore I urge you, brothers, on account of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God, which is your spiritual

service of worship.” • Hebrews 12:28 - “Therefore, since we are receiving an unshakable kingdom, let us be filled with gratitude, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe.” • 1 Peter 2:5 - “you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.” • NOTE the specific act of evangelism that is connected with *latreuo* in Romans 1:9 - “God, whom I serve in my spirit in preaching the gospel of his Son, is my witness how constantly I remember you.” (“I serve” is *λατρεύω*) • Remember in Romans 9:4 this word was used as one of Israel’s privileges: “Theirs is the adoption to sonship; theirs the divine glory, the covenants, the receiving of the law, the temple worship (*λατρεία*) and the promises.”

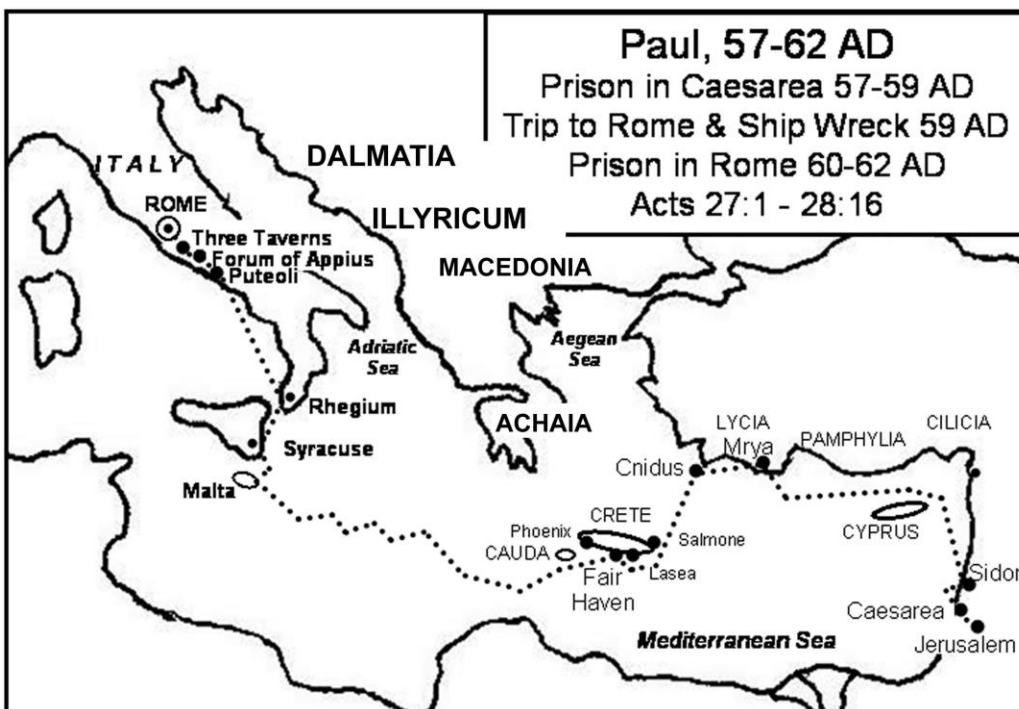
- Priestly service – *hierourgeo*
- Gentile converts are made “clean” by being sanctified by the Holy Spirit

**Romans 15:17** – “In Christ Jesus, then, I have reason to be proud of my work for God.

**Romans 15:18** – “For I will not venture to speak of anything except what Christ has accomplished through me to bring the Gentiles to obedience—by word and deed,

- Romans 1:5
- Genesis 49:10

**Romans 15:19** – “by the power of signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God—so that from Jerusalem and all the way around to Illyricum I have fulfilled the ministry of the gospel of Christ;



Acts 20:1-6 covers two years

**Romans 15:20** – “and thus I make it my ambition to preach the gospel, not where Christ has already been named, lest I build on someone else’s foundation,

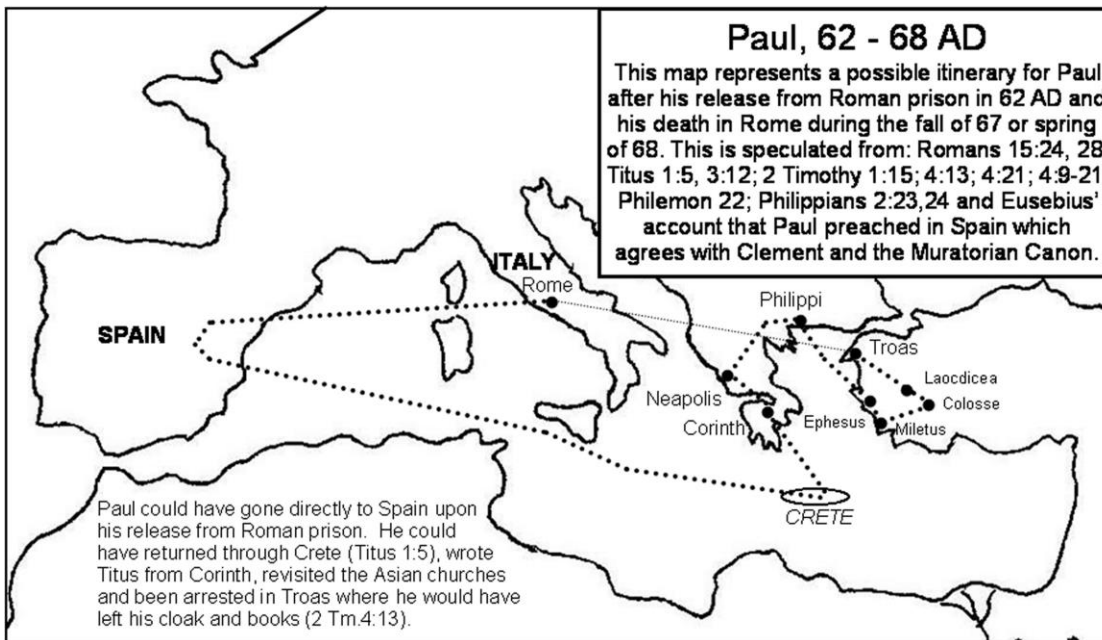
**Romans 15:21** – “but as it is written,

“Those who have never been told of him will see,  
and those who have never heard will understand.”

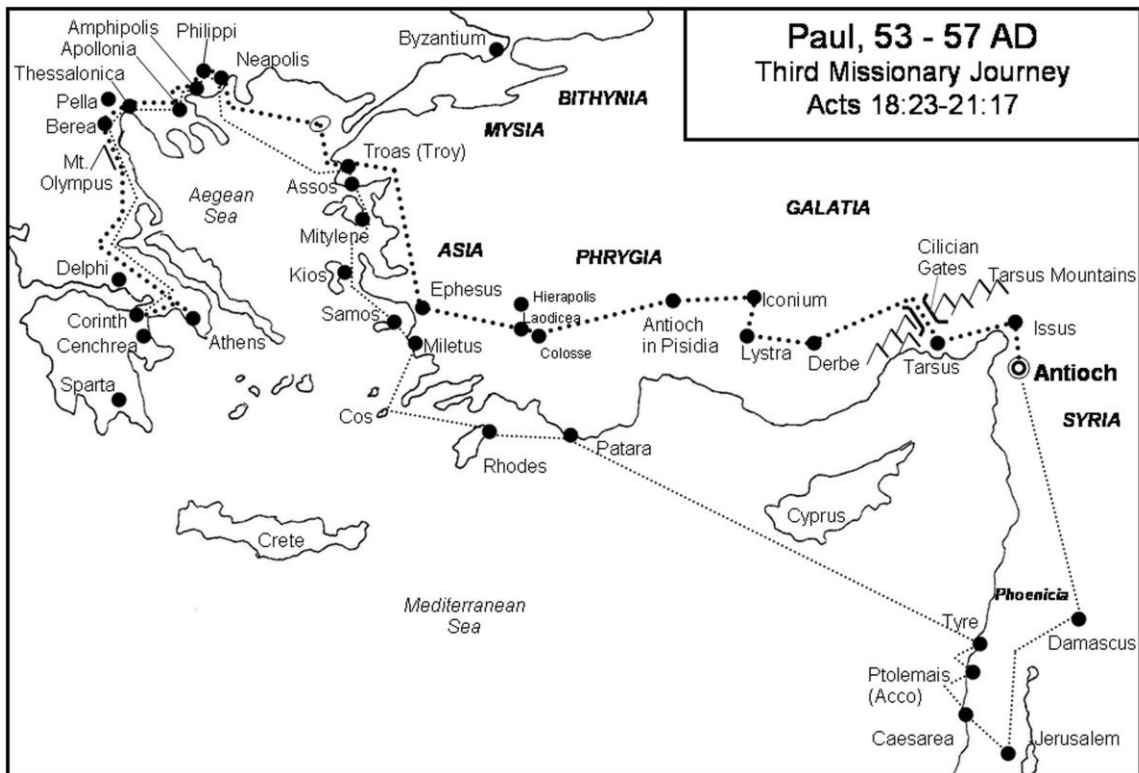
**Romans 15:22** – “This is the reason why I have so often been hindered from coming to you.

**Romans 15:23** – “But now, since I no longer have any room for work in these regions, and since I have longed for many years to come to you,

**Romans 15:24** – “I hope to see you in passing as I go to Spain, and to be helped on my journey there by you, once I have enjoyed your company for a while.



**Romans 15:25** – “At present, however, I am going to Jerusalem bringing aid to the saints.



**Romans 15:26** – “For Macedonia and Achaia have been pleased to make some contribution for the poor among the saints at Jerusalem.

**Romans 15:27** – “For they were pleased to do it, and indeed they owe it to them. For if the Gentiles have come to share in their spiritual blessings, they ought also to be of service to them in material blessings.

**Romans 15:28** – “When therefore I have completed this and have delivered to them what has been collected, I will leave for Spain by way of you.

**Romans 15:29** – “I know that when I come to you I will come in the fullness of the blessing of Christ.

**Romans 15:30** – “I appeal to you, brothers, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, to strive together with me in your prayers to God on my behalf,

**Romans 15:31** – “that I may be delivered from the unbelievers in Judea, and that my service for Jerusalem may be acceptable to the saints,

**Romans 15:32** – “so that by God's will I may come to you with joy and be refreshed in your company.

**Romans 15:33** – “May the God of peace be with you all. Amen.