



# 1 CORINTHIANS

SINNERS *made* SAINTS

# 1 Corinthians 16: 13 (NASB)

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- *Be on the alert*
- *stand firm in the faith*
- *act like men*
- *be strong*

1 Corinthians 16: 14 (NASB)

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*All that you do must be done in  
love.*

# ◀ 1 Corinthians 16:14 ▶

## 1 Corinthians 16 - Click for Chapter

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**14** πάντα ὑμῶν , ἐν ἀγάπῃ γινέσθω .

All things

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love

let be done

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What is Agape  
love?

1 Corinthians 16: 15 (NASB)

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*Now I urge you, brothers and sisters: you know the household of Stephanas, that they are the first fruits of Achaia, and that they have devoted themselves to ministry to the saints;*



What does it mean that the household of Stephanas were the first fruits of Achaia?

## MAP OF ACHAIA



1 Corinthians 16: 16 (NASB)

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*I urge that you also be subject  
to such as these and to  
everyone who helps in the work  
and labors.*

# 1 Corinthians 16: 16 (NIV)

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**to submit to such people and  
to everyone who joins in the  
work and labors at it.**



Who is Paul  
asking this  
Church to  
submit to?

1 Corinthians 16: 15 (NASB)

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*Now I urge you, brothers and sisters: you know the household of Stephanas, that they are the first fruits of Achaia, and that they have devoted themselves to ministry to the saints;*



Why is  
submission  
difficult?

1 Corinthians 16: 17 (NIV)

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*I rejoice over the coming of  
Stephanas, Fortunatus, and  
Achaicus, because they  
have supplied what was lacking  
on your part.*

Stephanas, Fortunatus and Achaicus were three Corinthian men who came to visit Paul. It is possible these three men brought a letter from Corinth to Paul containing some of the questions Paul has responded to in this first letter to the Corinthians.  
Remember Chapter 7?

# 1 Corinthians 7: 1a (NASB)

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*Now concerning the things  
about which you wrote*

1 Corinthians 16: 17 (NASB)

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*I rejoice over the coming of  
Stephanas, Fortunatus, and  
Achaicus, because they  
have supplied what was  
lacking on your part.*

1 Corinthians 16: 18 (NASB)

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*For they have refreshed my  
spirit and yours.*

*Therefore acknowledge such  
men.*

1 Corinthians 16: 19 (NIV)

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*The churches in the province of Asia send you greetings. Aquila and Priscilla greet you warmly in the Lord, and so does the church that meets at their house.*



Who are Aquila  
and Priscilla?



Please turn to:  
Acts 18: 1-3

Acts 18: 1-3 (NASB)

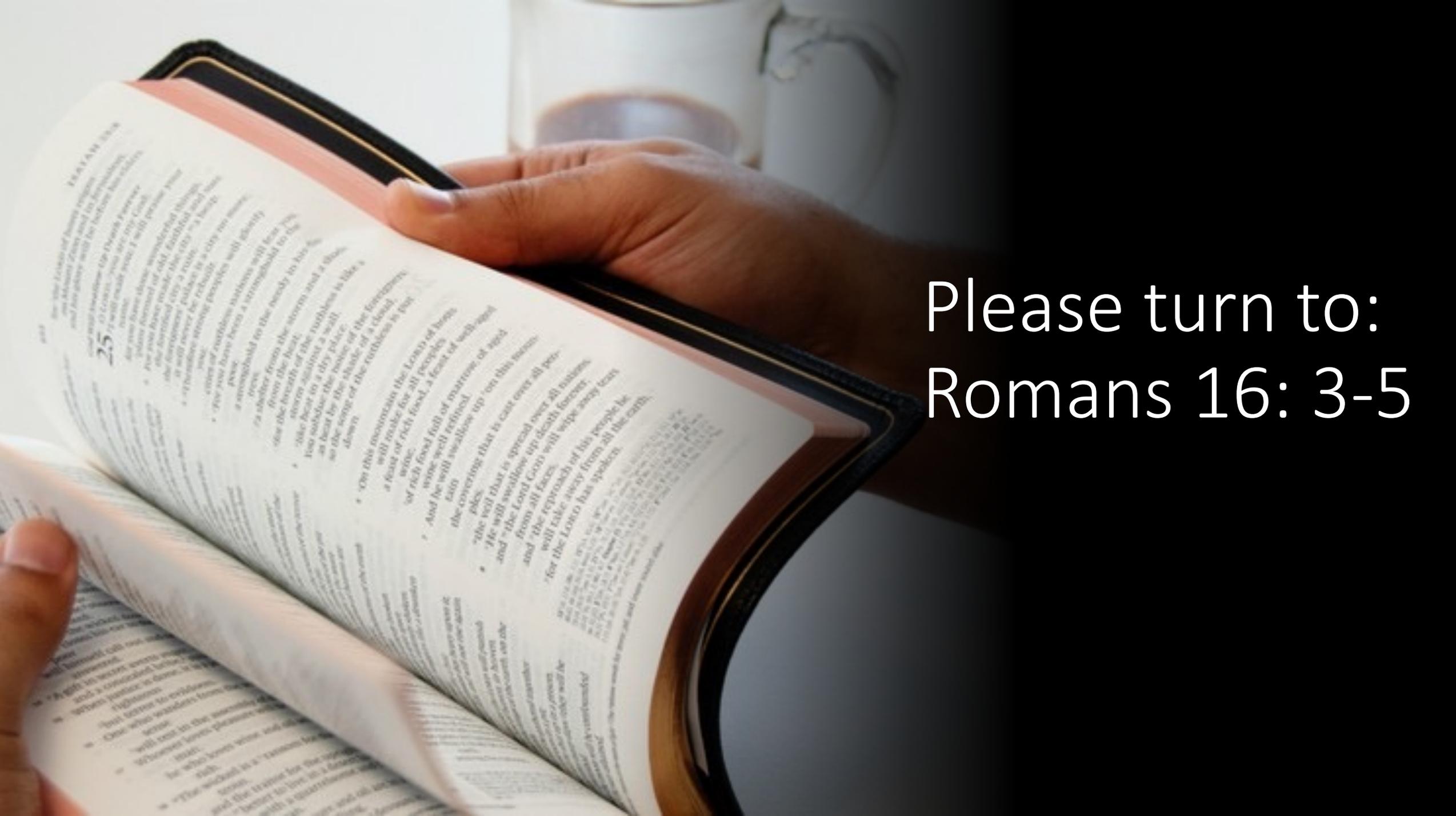
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*After these events Paul left Athens and went to Corinth. And he found a Jew named Aquila, a native of Pontus having recently come from Italy with his wife Priscilla,*

Acts 18: 1-3 (NASB)

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*because Claudius had commanded all the Jews to leave Rome. He came to them, and because he was of the same trade he stayed with them, and they worked together, for they were tent-makers by trade.*



Please turn to:  
Romans 16: 3-5

Romans 16: 3-5 (NIV)

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*Greet Priscilla and Aquila, my co-workers in Christ Jesus. They risked their lives for me. Not only I but all the churches of the Gentiles are grateful to them.*



Does a Church  
have to meet in  
a building?

Romans 16: 3-5 (NIV)

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*Greet also the church that meets at their house. Greet my dear friend Epenetus, who was the first convert to Christ in the province of Asia.*



Please turn to:  
2 Timothy 4: 19

2 Timothy 4: 19 (NIV)

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*Greet Priscilla and Aquila and  
the household of Onesiphorus.*

1 Corinthians 16: 19 (NIV)

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*The churches in the province of Asia send you greetings. Aquila and Priscilla greet you warmly in the Lord, and so does the church that meets at their house.*

# 1 Corinthians 16: 20 (NASB)

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*All the brothers and sisters greet you. Greet one another with a holy kiss.*



What is a holy  
kiss?

A quick kiss on one or both cheeks was a common greeting between family and friends in Paul's culture.

Early Christians referred to this kiss of greeting as an expression of the family bond between believers in Jesus.

It would also be difficult to maintain resentment or division between believers when they must kiss each other in greeting, without making it clear one is being dishonest.

Because of this a “holy kiss” represented the unity, mutual forgiveness, and family bond in the lives of first century Christians.

# 1 Corinthians 16: 21 (NASB)

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*The greeting is in my own  
hand—that of Paul.*



What does it mean that “*The greeting is in my own hand—that of Paul.*”

1 Corinthians 16: 22 (NASB)

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*If anyone does not love the  
Lord, he is to  
be accursed. Maranatha!*

1 Corinthians 16: 22 (KJV)

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*If any man love not the Lord  
Jesus Christ, let him be  
Anathema Maranatha.*

# Anathema

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Anathema comes from the Greek ana'thema, meaning “a person or thing accursed or consigned to damnation or destruction.”

# Maranatha



Maranatha is an Aramaic word  
that means “the Lord is  
coming”

1 Corinthians 16: 22 (NASB)

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*If anyone does not love the  
Lord, he is to  
be accursed. Maranatha!*



What is Paul asking for with these strong words?

This curse is really a short prayer by Paul asking God to Let anyone who does not love the Lord to be accursed and removed from the Church.



How do you  
identify  
someone who  
does not love  
the Lord?



Please turn to:  
1 John 5: 3

1 John 5: 3 (NLT)

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***Loving God means keeping his***  
***commandments, and his***  
***commandments are not***  
***burdensome.***

Paul knew the difference between genuine believers and false teachers was a true love for Christ.

A true love for Christ would result in denying self and following the Word out out of love for Jesus instead of following self and denying the Word.

Removal of those who do not truly love Christ would protect the Church from false teachings and those wanting to allow culture to influence the Church instead of following the Word.

Because of this Paul is asking God to specially curse those who do not love Christ yet remain part of the Church in Corinth and are attempting to lead others away from the Word through false teaching.



Do we see this  
happening in  
Churches today?

1 Corinthians 16: 23 (NASB)

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*The grace of the Lord Jesus be  
with you.*

1 Corinthians 16: 24 (NASB)

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*My love be with you all in Christ  
Jesus. Amen.*

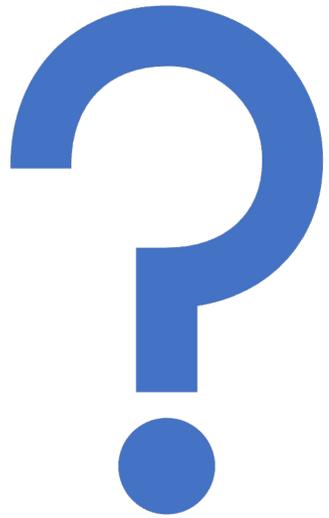
## ◀ 1 Corinthians 16:24 ▶

### 1 Corinthians 16 - Click for Chapter

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# What a Powerful Closing!

1. Don't be fooled. May judgement come upon you if you do not love Jesus and attempt to justify your sin.
2. Lord Jesus please come now.
3. Grace to all of you.
4. I Love You.



What stood out  
to you the most  
in our study of  
1 Corinthians?