

# PRAYERS FROM PAUL'S LETTER TO THE ROMANS



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**May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace  
as you trust in him, so that you may overflow  
with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit**

Romans 15:13

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## Chapter 1

Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle and set apart for the gospel of God—v.1

- ♥ Lord, help me to serve you, Jesus Christ, with my whole heart. v.1

Through him we received grace and apostleship to call all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from faith for his name's sake. v.5

- ♥ Lord, use my life as an inspiration, so that many people can be won for you. v.5

To all in Rome who are loved by God and called to be his holy people: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. v.7

- ♥ Lord, I am your daughter, beloved and called by you, and I belong to you alone. Grant me your grace and your peace v.7

God, whom I serve in my spirit in preaching the gospel of his Son, is my witness how constantly I remember you. v.9

- ♥ Help us mothers to pray tirelessly that the gospel of salvation be proclaimed in many schools, so that every child and teacher may hear it. v.9

I am obligated both to Greeks and non-Greeks, both to the wise and the foolish. v.14

- ♥ Fill our hearts with love and concern for every child and every school in our neighbourhood! v.14

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. v.16

- ♥ Remove from us any false sense of shame, and let our hearts be filled with faith and trust that this power will set our children and our schools free to find life in You. v.16

For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed—a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: “The righteous will live by faith.” v.17

- ♥ Help us mothers to believe this with all of our hearts. v.17

For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse. v.20

- ♥ Open the eyes of our children and their teachers to see and to experience you in nature. v.20

Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images made to look like a mortal human being and birds and animals and reptiles. v.22, 23

- ♥ Lord, forgive us when we do not honour and worship you as the eternal God. v.22, 23

Because of this, God gave them over to shameful lusts. Even their women exchanged natural sexual relations for unnatural ones. v.26

- ♥ Protect our children and schools from unnatural sexual relationships and teachings. v.26

Furthermore, just as they did not think it worthwhile to retain the knowledge of God, so God gave them over to a depraved mind, so that they do what ought not to be done. v.28

- ♥ Lord, forgive us as a society all indifference towards you and our refusal to recognise you for who you are! v.28

## Chapter 2

Do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, forbearance and patience, not realizing that God's kindness is intended to lead you to repentance? v.4

- ♥ Open the hearts of our children, their teachers and schools to recognise your unending goodness, patience and faithfulness, and to trust in you! v.4

To those who by persistence in doing good seek glory, honour and immortality, he will give eternal life. v.7

- ♥ Help our children to persevere in doing good, and help them always to keep their eyes fixed on eternity. v.7

But glory, honour and peace for everyone who does good: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. v.10

- ♥ Cause goodness to be rewarded in our schools. Give to each one honour and peace! In particular, bless the Jewish people in our schools. v.10

For it is not those who hear the law who are righteous in God's sight, but it is those who obey the law who will be declared righteous. v.13

- ♥ May everyone in our schools live by your commandments and values! v.13

You, then, who teach others, do you not teach yourself? You who preach against stealing, do you steal? v.21

- ♥ Give our children teachers who are merciful and who themselves live their lives with the highest moral standards. v.21

### Chapter 3

Let God be true, and every human being a liar. As it is written: "So that you may be proved right when you speak and prevail when you judge." v.4

- ♥ Lord, we pray that your Word will be taught in our schools, because it is the truth! v.4

As it is written: "There is no one righteous, not even one"; v.10

- ♥ Grant to many children and teachers in Europe and Israel a heart that acknowledges sin. v.10

This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile. v.22

- ♥ May countless children and teachers come to faith in you, so that they may be accepted by you. v.22

Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. Because of what law? The law that requires works? No, because of the law that requires faith. v.27

- ♥ Lord, let the good news of you, Jesus, be made known in every school in Europe and Israel. Grant faith to each one who hears! v.27

For we maintain that a person is justified by faith apart from the works of the law. v.28

- ♥ Help our children and their schools to place all of their trust in you. v.28

### Chapter 4

What does Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness." v.3

- ♥ Help us mothers to trust in you with our whole hearts and in no one else! v.3

It was not through the law that Abraham and his offspring received the promise that he would be heir of the world, but through the righteousness that comes by faith. v.13

- ♥ Help us mothers to place our wholehearted and unwavering trust in your promise that you have made to us and our descendents. v.13

As it is written: "I have made you a father of many nations." He is our father in the sight of God, in whom he believed—the God who gives life to the dead and calls into being things that were not. v.17

- ♥ Help us to be mothers who believe that you are indeed he who gives life to the dead and calls into being things that are not! v.17

Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, "So shall your offspring be." v.18

- ♥ Despite all seemingly hopeless circumstances, help me never to give up hope and to continue to hold fast to your words. You will shower my descendents with your blessing! v.18

Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah's womb was also dead. v.19

- ♥ Lord, when faced with seeming impossibility, grant me unshakeable faith! v.19

Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, v.20

- ♥ Strengthen my faith, because I trust in your word and thus I honour you! Remove from me all doubt. v.20

## Chapter 5

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. v.1

- ♥ Lord, grant to every child and every teacher in Europe and Israel faith in you, so that they have peace with you! v.1

And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. v.5

- ♥ Come, Holy Spirit, and fill the heart of each mother with your love! v.5

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. v.8

- ♥ Let all of us in Europe and Israel acknowledge the greatness of your love for us sinners, and that it is for this reason that you died for us. v.8

For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ! v.17

- ♥ Fill us mothers with the knowledge that we are free from guilt, and now as daughters of the King we may live and reign with you! v.17

Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people. v.18

- ♥ Fill our hearts with faith and hope that every child and every teacher in Europe and Israel can receive new life. Help us to pray without ceasing. v.18

So that, just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. v.21

- ♥ Let us recognise every day that we still live in the time of grace, and therefore we can pray for our children and schools with confidence. v.21

## Chapter 6

We are those who have died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? v.2

- ♥ Help us mothers to be strong and to believe your word that says we are dead to sin. v.2

We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. v.4

- ♥ Help us mothers to operate and to pray in the new life that has been given to us. v.4

In the same way, count yourselves dead to sin but alive to God in Christ Jesus. v.11

- ♥ Help us to live every moment for you, in the knowledge that we are dead to sin. v.11

Do not offer any part of yourself to sin as an instrument of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer every part of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness. v.13

- ♥ Keep my body, so that I may make no part of myself available for sin. Help me to be your instrument, so that your purposes are achieved. v.13

You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness. v.18

- ♥ Thank you that I am free and can now do everything that you, Jesus, would desire of me. v.18

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. v.23

- ♥ Let us mothers in Europe and Israel grow ever deeper in fellowship with you, Jesus, and may we be excited about eternity even now! v.23

## Chapter 7

But now, by dying to what once bound us, we have been released from the law so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit, and not in the old way of the written code. v.6

- ♥ Thank you that I am free from legalism, because you, Holy Spirit, help me to serve in a completely new way. v.6

Did that which is good, then, become death to me? By no means! Nevertheless, in order that sin might be recognized as sin, it used what is good to bring about my death, so that through the commandment sin might become utterly sinful. v.13

- ♥ Fill us mothers with a sense of the repulsiveness of sin and how it seeks to destroy our lives. v.13

Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord! v.25

- ♥ Help us mothers constantly to look to you, Jesus, and to thank you that we are free, notwithstanding our inner struggles. v.25

## Chapter 8

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. v.1

- ♥ Jesus, because of you I am now free from all condemnation. May I rejoice in this truth more and more each day. v.1

For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh. v.3

- ♥ Jesus Christ, you are the most precious gift we could ever receive. Help us every day to marvel at this and to thank you! v.3

In order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. v.4

- ♥ Holy Spirit, you live in me and so please direct my life! Remind me anew every day that I am no longer a slave to sin. v.4

Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. v.5

- ♥ Holy Spirit, lead me now and always! v.5

You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. v.9

- ♥ Thank you, heavenly Father, that I am no longer a slave to my selfish desires! v.9

But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness. v.10

- ♥ Lord, let us live in the knowledge that we carry everlasting life within us, and that we are accepted by you, even though we live out our daily lives in these mortal bodies. v.10

For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. v.14

- ♥ Help us mothers to be led by your Holy Spirit, because we are your children. v.14

The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father." v.15

- ♥ Help us to live in our new identity as your daughters, and to have a close, loving, heart-to-heart relationship with you, our beloved Father. v.15

The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. v.16

- ♥ Holy Spirit, strengthen in us the inner certainty that we are indeed your children! v.16

Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory. v.17

- ♥ Awaken in us joy for the inheritance that awaits us, even if for now we must share in your sufferings. v.17

Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. v.23

- ♥ Lord, birth in us a deep longing to wait for you. You accept us as your children! v.23

For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? v.24

- ♥ Give us hope, so that we may wait patiently for everything that we have not yet received. v.24

But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently. v.25

- ♥ Give us the hope that allows us to wait patiently for your promises to be fulfilled. v.25

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. v.26

- ♥ Thank you, Holy Spirit, that you pray for me with groaning, because I am too weak! v.26

And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God. v.27

- ♥ Lord, thank you that you know everything about me, and you hear how your Spirit prays within me, in complete harmony with your will. v.27

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. v.28

- ♥ Lord, help us mothers to love you with all of our hearts, and to trust that you will cause everything that happens to us to work for our good. v.28

And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified. v.30

- ♥ Lord, you have freed me from all guilt, and I am permitted already to live in your glory. Teach me to understand more and more how precious in your eyes is my personal relationship with you. v.30

What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? v.31

- ♥ Lord, may we mothers in Europe and Israel understand: when you are for us, no-one can be against us! v.31

He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? v.32

- ♥ Lord, let us, our children and all teachers understand that you have given us the greatest possible gift, Jesus Christ, your only son! Cause this knowledge to overflow our lands! v.32

Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. v.34

- ♥ Thank you, Jesus, that even now you are praying to the Father for me. No-one has the right to condemn me! v.34

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? v.35

- ♥ Lord, no matter what happens, may I always trust in your love! v.35

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. v.37

- ♥ Lord, help to be more than a conqueror, even when I am suffering, because you love me so very much! v.37

Neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. v.39

- ♥ Lord, let me never forget that nothing can separate me from you, Jesus Christ. You are love personified. v.39

## Chapter 9

Theirs are the patriarchs, and from them is traced the human ancestry of the Messiah, who is God over all, forever praised! Amen. v.5

- ♥ Lord, give us mothers in Europe a great love for your people, Israel. v.5

Yet, before the twins were born or had done anything good or bad—in order that God's purpose in election might stand: not by works but by him who calls—she was told, "The older will serve the younger." v.11, 12

- ♥ Lord, let us and your people Israel understand that all of your promises are gracious gifts. v.11, 12

Therefore God has mercy on whom he wants to have mercy, and he hardens whom he wants to harden. v.18

- ♥ Lord, may I understand that your mercy is a gift! v.18

It is just as Isaiah said previously: “Unless the Lord Almighty had left us descendants, we would have become like Sodom, we would have been like Gomorrah.” v.29

- ♥ Lord, through the history of your people, teach us how gracious you are. v.29

What then shall we say? That the Gentiles, who did not pursue righteousness, have obtained it, a righteousness that is by faith; v.30

- ♥ Thank you that we as non-Jewish people are accepted through our faith in you, Jesus Christ! v.30

As it is written: “See, I lay in Zion a stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall, and the one who believes in him will never be put to shame.” v.33

- ♥ Lord, let us all, Jews and Gentiles, understand that you, Jesus Christ, are the rock on which we stand firm and secure. v.33

## Chapter 10

Brothers and sisters, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved. v.1

- ♥ Lord, we long for and pray that all Jewish mothers, children, teachers and all other people will come to know you, Jesus. v.1

Christ is the culmination of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes. v.4

- ♥ Let the Jewish mothers and all Jewish people come to understand that you, Jesus Christ, are the fulfilment of the Law, and that they are accepted and set free through faith in you. v.4

If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. v.9

- ♥ Lord, help us mothers in Europe and Israel to acknowledge you as Lord, and to believe with our whole heart that we are saved. v.9

For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, v.12

- ♥ Lord, let us Jewish and non-Jewish mothers together believe in you, Jesus Christ, and feed upon the riches of your goodness. v.12

for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” v.13

- ♥ Lord, we pray that every child and every teacher will call upon your name, so that you can save their souls. v.13

Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ. v.17

- ♥ Lord, help us to pray tirelessly that every child and every teacher in Europe and Israel may have the opportunity to hear the gospel and to believe. You are the hero in all schools! v.17

## Chapter 11

God did not reject his people, whom he foreknew. Don't you know what Scripture says in the passage about Elijah—how he appealed to God against Israel. v.2

- ♥ Lord, you love the Jewish mothers. Please, let every single one learn of your love. Use me as an instrument! v.2

And if by grace, then it cannot be based on works; if it were, grace would no longer be grace. v.6

- ♥ Let the Jewish mothers recognise that you, Jesus Christ, are the greatest gift in their history. v.6

As it is written: "God gave them a spirit of stupor, eyes that could not see and ears that could not hear, to this very day." v.8

- ♥ Lord, keep my heart from pridefulness or judgementalism just because the Jewish people do not yet know you, Jesus Christ. v.8

Again I ask: Did they stumble so as to fall beyond recovery? Not at all! Rather, because of their transgression, salvation has come to the Gentiles to make Israel envious. v.11

- ♥ Lord, help me to live in such a way that Jewish mothers will also desire a relationship with you. v.11

But if their transgression means riches for the world, and their loss means riches for the Gentiles, how much greater riches will their full inclusion bring! v.12

- ♥ Lord, help us to look forward with joy to the time when your people will acknowledge you as their Lord! v.12

Consider therefore the kindness and sternness of God: sternness to those who fell, but kindness to you, provided that you continue in his kindness. Otherwise, you also will be cut off. v.22

- ♥ Lord, help me not to rely on myself, but instead always to trust in you and your grace. v.22

After all, if you were cut out of an olive tree that is wild by nature, and contrary to nature were grafted into a cultivated olive tree, how much more readily will these, the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree! v.24

- ♥ Lord, help me never to forget that I am only saved by your grace! v.24

I do not want you to be ignorant of this mystery, brothers and sisters, so that you may not be conceited: Israel has experienced a hardening in part until the full number of the Gentiles has come in. v.25

- ♥ Lord, help me to play my part so that the gospel may reach all Gentiles who are as yet unsaved, so that the Jewish people may open their hearts to Jesus. v.25

As far as the gospel is concerned, they are enemies for your sake; but as far as election is concerned, they are loved on account of the patriarchs. v.28

- ♥ Loving Father, let us mothers in Europe never forget your faithfulness to your beloved people, Israel! v.28

For God has bound everyone over to disobedience so that he may have mercy on them all. v.32

- ♥ Lord, you have allowed us all to walk in unbelief, so that you may show us your mercy. Lord, we ask that our children, their teachers and all school staff who do not yet believe in you may come to know and experience your mercy! v.32

Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out! v.33

- ♥ Lord, let me grow ever more in my understanding of how infinitely great and mighty you are! Help me to trust more and more in you! v.33

For from him and through him and for him are all things. To him be the glory forever! Amen. "All day long I have held out my hands to a disobedient and obstinate people." v.36

- ♥ Lord, everything revolves around you. I worship you! v.36

## Chapter 12

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. v.1

- ♥ Lord, because of your great mercy, I give my whole life to you, in response to your great love for me. v.1

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will. v.2

- ♥ Help me not to conform to the pattern of this world. Transform and renew my thoughts and emotions, so that I may know your will. v.2

For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. v.3

- ♥ Help me to be honest with myself and not to think too highly of myself. Lord, I only want to do your will! v.3

So in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. v.5

- ♥ Help us mothers to take our place and to be there for one another. v.5

Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. v.9

- ♥ Grant us sincere love in our hearts, help us to hate evil and to love what is good. v.9

Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervour, serving the Lord. v.11

- ♥ Help us mothers to be filled with your Holy Spirit and to be good mothers who serve with diligence and commitment. v.11

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. v.12

- ♥ Give us joy in our hope, because you will do everything you have promised to do. Help us never to stop praying! v.12

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. v.14

- ♥ Lord, help us to bless and pray for those who hate and persecute us. v.14

Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. v.17

- ♥ Lord, help us mothers always to conduct ourselves justly towards others, showing ourselves always to be a good example to all. v.17

Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord. v.19

- ♥ Lord, help me to leave all justification to you, as you will see to it. v.19

Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good. v.21

- ♥ Lord, help me always to overcome evil with good. v.21

## Chapter 13

Let everyone be subject to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God. v.1

- ♥ Lord, give me the humility to submit myself to the governing authorities, trusting that you have established them. v.1

Give to everyone what you owe them: If you owe taxes, pay taxes; if revenue, then revenue; if respect, then respect; if honour, then honour. v.7

- ♥ Lord, help us not to speak disrespectfully about our teachers and those in authority over us. Help us to fulfil our obligations in this regard. v.7

Love does no harm to a neighbour. Therefore love is the fulfilment of the law. v.10

- ♥ Help me to love my neighbour, and not to do any harm to him or her. v.10

Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. v.13

- ♥ Lord, I wish to live my life as a good example to others. Give me a pure heart. v.13

Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh! v.14

- ♥ You, Lord Jesus Christ, should be my finest clothing. Help me to let go of everything else. v.14

## Chapter 14

Accept the one whose faith is weak, without quarrelling over disputable matters. v.1

- ♥ Help us mothers to accept other Christians unconditionally. v.1

If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord. v.8

- ♥ Lord, let us grow in our understanding of this: we belong to you, whether we live or whether we die. v.8

You, then, why do you judge your brother or sister? Or why do you treat them with contempt? For we will all stand before God's judgment seat. v.10

- ♥ Lord, keep me from judging others or looking down on them. You are the only Judge! v.10

So then, each of us will give an account of ourselves to God. v.12

- ♥ Dear father, help me to pay attention to my own ways, far more than those of others! v.12

For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit, v.17

- ♥ Lord, your will should be the central focus in my life. Holy Spirit, fill me with peace and joy. v.17

Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification. v.19

- ♥ Lord, help us make every effort to live at peace with one another, and to strengthen one another in our faith. v.19

It is better not to eat meat or drink wine or to do anything else that will cause your brother or sister to fall. v.21

- ♥ Help me to consider others, preferring to go without something, rather than causing someone else to stumble. v.21

But whoever has doubts is condemned if they eat, because their eating is not from faith; and everything that does not come from faith is sin. v.23

- ♥ May I be sure to do everything in faith, so that I do not fall into sin. v.23

## Chapter 15

Each of us should please our neighbours for their good, to build them up. v.2

- ♥ Lord, help me to keep the wellbeing of my neighbours in mind, and to encourage them in faith and good works. v.2

For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope. v.4

- ♥ Lord, help me to read your Word regularly, and to trust in and cling to all of your promises. v.4

May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, v.5

- ♥ Lord, give us mothers a spirit of unity, so that we may trust in your Word together. v.5

So that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. v.6

- ♥ Help us in our MIP hours to praise and worship you in unity. v.6

Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God. v.7

- ♥ Help us mothers in Europe and Israel to accept one another with our whole heart, just as you have accepted us. May this bring glory to you. v.7

Again, it says, "Rejoice, you Gentiles, with his people." v.10

- ♥ Lord, may all mothers in Europe and Israel praise you together in unity. v.10

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. v.13

- ♥ Lord, grant us hope and faith. Fill us mothers with joy and perfect peace, so that our hope will grow ever stronger, as we pray for our children and for our schools. v.13

I myself am convinced, my brothers and sisters, that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with knowledge and competent to instruct one another. v.14

- ♥ Lord, help us mothers to be open and honest with one another. Help us mutually to exhort and encourage one another. v.14

Therefore I glory in Christ Jesus in my service to God. v.17

- ♥ Jesus, please perform your works through us, especially in prayer for our children and the schools in Europe and Israel. v.17

Rather, as it is written: "Those who were not told about him will see, and those who have not heard will understand." v.21

- ♥ Lord, use us, so that people who have never heard of you can come to know you. v.21

For Macedonia and Achaia were pleased to make a contribution for the poor among the Lord's people in Jerusalem. v.26

- ♥ Lord, grant us open hearts, so that we can help bear the burdens of other mothers, supporting them in their need. v.26

I urge you, brothers and sisters, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit, to join me in my struggle by praying to God for me! v.30

- ♥ Lord, it is your love that binds us mothers together in Europe and Israel. Give us a burden to pray for one another. v.30

The God of peace be with you all. Amen. v.33

- ♥ Lord, please be with us all, with every mother, with our children, with our families, with all teachers and school workers, with all countries, with Europe and Israel. Grant us your peace! v.33

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I ask you to receive her in the Lord in a way worthy of his people and to give her any help she may need from you, for she has been the benefactor of many people, including me. v.2

- ♥ Lord, help me to have a heart and a home which is open to other Christians. v.2

Everyone has heard about your obedience, so I rejoice because of you; but I want you to be wise about what is good, and innocent about what is evil. v.19

- ♥ Lord, help us mothers to do exactly what you want us to. Grant us wisdom always to do what is good and to hate what is evil. v.19

The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you! v.20

- ♥ Lord, grant us your peace, and the confident assurance that you have defeated Satan! v.20

Now to him who is able to establish you in accordance with my gospel, the message I proclaim about Jesus Christ, in keeping with the revelation of the mystery hidden for long ages past. v.25

- ♥ Lord, thank you that I have been saved. Thank you that your gospel was proclaimed to me. v.25

To the only wise God be glory forever through Jesus Christ! Amen! v.27

- ♥ Lord, You alone are wise. We know you through Jesus Christ and we pray that every child and school in Europe and Israel will come to praise and worship you for all eternity. v.27

Dear father, let it be so in: Israel, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Moldova, Russia, Ukraine, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Slovenia, Croatia, Cyprus, Greece, Hungary, Kosovo, North Macedonia, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia, Turkey, Andorra, Belgium, France, Italy, Vatican City, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta, Monaco, Portugal, San Marino, Spain, Switzerland, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Sweden, Austria, Czech Republic, Germany, Ireland, the Netherlands, Poland, Slovakia, and the United Kingdom, in Jesus' name we pray! **Amen.**

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