

Romans 16:21 - 27

The Last Word

Paul's Pals

²¹ Timothy my fellow worker greets you, and so do Lucius

- a disciple and key man and Jason and Sosipater, my kinsmen.

- Jewish friends ²² I, Tertius, who write this letter, greet you in the Lord.

- a secretary ²³ Gaius, host to me and to the whole church, greets you.

- a hospitable man, a wealthy man Erastus, the city treasurer greets you, and Quartus, the

- A man of power and position in Corinth brother. ²⁴ [The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Amen.]

The gospel ESTABLISHES

Paul's Benediction and summary statement...

²⁵ Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my

• to stand •

gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the

Not "about" Christ but "from" Christ

revelation of the mystery which has been kept secret for long

ages past, ²⁶ but **now** is manifested, and by the Scriptures of

the prophets, according to the commandment of the eternal

God, has been made known to all the nations, leading to

obedience of faith; ²⁷ to the only wise God, through Jesus

Christ, be the glory forever. Amen.

1. Paul's gospel of grace

2. Christ's preaching in this day

3. and the Old Testament scriptures

Thus: the Bible's message of Christ is that which establishes man

believing the gospel is now a "commandment to all mankind"

salvation is "the obedience of faith"

It is to the glory...

.. of a wise plan of God..

..forever.

"Amen"

Life Group Application Questions

1. What did the word "establish" mean?
2. What did Paul infer by saying that his gospel was in keeping with Christ's preaching and the Old Testament's message?
3. Did you understand his meaning of "mystery" and "secret"?
4. What is the importance of "made known to all the nations"?
5. and "the obedience of faith"?
6. ... and "the commandment of the eternal God"?