**CHAPTER 15**

*He exhorts them to be all of one mind: and promises to come and see them.*

**1** Now we that are stronger, ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves.

**2** Let every one of you please his neighbour unto good, to edification.

**3** For Christ did not please himself, but as it is written: The reproaches of them that reproached thee, fell upon me.

**4** For what things soever were written, were written for our learning: that through patience and the comfort of the scriptures, we might have hope.

**5** Now the God of patience and of comfort grant you to be of one mind one towards another, according to Jesus Christ:

**6** That with one mind, and with one mouth, you may glorify God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**7** Wherefore receive one another, as Christ also hath received you unto the honour of God.

**8** For I say that Christ Jesus was minister of the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises made unto the fathers.

**9** But that the Gentiles are to glorify God for his mercy, as it is written: Therefore will I confess to thee, O Lord, among the Gentiles, and will sing to thy name.

**10** And again he saith: Rejoice, ye Gentiles, with his people.

**11** And again: Praise the Lord, all ye Gentiles; and magnify him, all ye people.

**12** And again Isaias saith: There shall be a root of Jesse; and he that shall rise up to rule the Gentiles, in him the Gentiles shall hope.

**13** Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing; that you may abound in hope, and in the power of the Holy Ghost.

**14** And I myself also, my brethren, am assured of you, that you also are full of love, replenished with all knowledge, so that you are able to admonish one another.

**15** But I have written to you, brethren, more boldly in some sort, as it were putting you in mind: because of the grace which is given me from God.

**16** That I should be the minister of Christ Jesus among the Gentiles; sanctifying the gospel of God, that the oblation of the Gentiles may be made acceptable and sanctified in the Holy Ghost.

**17** I have therefore glory in Christ Jesus towards God.

**18** For I dare not to speak of any of those things which Christ worketh not by me, for the obedience of the Gentiles, by word and deed,

**19** By the virtue of signs and wonders, in the power of the Holy Ghost, so that from Jerusalem round about as far as unto Illyricum, I have replenished the gospel of Christ.

**20** And I have so preached this gospel, not where Christ was named, lest I should build upon another man’s foundation.

**21** But as it is written: They to whom he was not spoken of, shall see, and they that have not heard shall understand.

**22** For which cause also I was hindered very much from coming to you, and have been kept away till now.

**23** But now having no more place in these countries, and having a great desire these many years past to come unto you,

**24** When I shall begin to take my journey into Spain, I hope that as I pass, I shall see you, and be brought on my way thither by you, if first, in part, I shall have enjoyed you:

**25** But now I shall go to Jerusalem, to minister unto the saints.

**26** For it hath pleased them of Macedonia and Achaia to make a contribution for the poor of the saints that are in Jerusalem.

**27** For it hath pleased them; and they are their debtors. For if the Gentiles have been made partakers of their spiritual things, they ought also in carnal things to minister to them.

**28** When therefore I shall have accomplished this, and consigned to them this fruit, I will come by you into Spain.

**29** And I know, that when I come to you, I shall come in the abundance of the blessing of the gospel of Christ.

**30** I beseech you therefore, brethren, through our Lord Jesus Christ, and by the charity of the Holy Ghost, that you help me in your prayers for me to God,

**31** That I may be delivered from the unbelievers that are in Judea, and that the oblation of my service may be acceptable in Jerusalem to the saints.

**32** That I may come to you with joy, by the will of God, and may be refreshed with you.

**33** Now the God of peace be with you all. Amen.