**DO EVERYTHING IN LOVE**

1 Corinthians 16:1-24

Key Verses 16:13-14

*“Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. Do everything in love.”*

1. Read verses 1-4. Regarding the collection for God’s people, what was Paul’s direction for the Corinthians? What was the purpose of this offering (Ro 15:25-27)? What is the meaning of the word “gift”? What is the right attitude in offering to God (2; 2Co 8:1-5)? What was required to be a carrier of it (3; 1Co 4:2)?
2. Read verses 5-7. What was Paul’s travel plan (5-6a)? In what ways did Paul want them to participate in his mission trip (6b)? What was his hope (7)? Why did he want to spend time with them (4:19-21; Ro 1:11-12)?
3. Read verses 8-9. What were Paul’s plans in Ephesus (8)? Why was he compelled to stay there (9)? Did opposition change Paul’s commitment to the Holy Spirit’s work?
4. Read verses 10-12. What instructions did Paul give regarding Timothy (10-11)? Why was Paul sending him (4:16-17)? Why did Paul mention urging Apollos to go there and his unwillingness to do so (12; 1:12)?
5. Read verses 13-14. How did Paul exhort them (13-14)? Why did they need to hear this? What progression is inherent in these directives? What does it mean to do everything in love?

1. Read verses 15-24. Who set good examples among them, and how (15-18)? What kind of attitude were the Corinthians to have toward such people? Who greeted them, and how were they to greet one another (19-21)? What were Paul’s final greetings and warning (22-24)?