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The Profound Encouragement of God

Romans 16:25-27

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**25** Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages **26** but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith— **27** to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen.  
(ESV)

*God will Encourage You as You...*

**1. Celebrate** \_\_\_\_\_ (v.25a)

*God will Encourage You as You...*

**2. Explore** \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.25b-26a)

*God will Encourage You as You...*

**3. Take** \_\_\_\_\_ (v.26b)

*God will Encourage You as You...*

**4. Continue** \_\_\_\_\_ (v.27)

# Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **Romans 5:1-5**. What does this passage say about the relationship between our confidence regarding our standing before God and our attitude (even when our circumstances are at their worst)? How can you attest to this reality?
2. Read **Romans 1:1-4**. Why is predictive prophecy found in the Old Testament so important to the truth claims of Christianity? What does a greater mastery of this aspect of the Bible do for your heart, attitude and disposition?
3. Read **Romans 6:17-22**. How have your observations regarding your changed (and changing) life as a Christian provided you with encouragement and strength when life is difficult or when you are being tempted?
4. Read **Romans 11:33-36**. How does worship change you? What can you do to make sincere and heartfelt worship a more frequent reality between weekends?
5. What are some of the greatest lessons you have learned about God and/or the Christian life during your involvement with us in this extended study of Romans?

## **The CBC Bible Reading Schedule for this Week:**

Go to [ESV.org](http://ESV.org) (Reading Plans: Though the Bible) for schedule prompts.

### **April 1<sup>st</sup>**

*Judg. 6-7 & Lk. 8:1-21*

### **April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

*Judg. 8-9 & Lk. 8:22-56*

### **April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

*Judg. 10-11 & Lk. 9:1-36*

### **April 4<sup>th</sup>**

*Judg. 12-14 & Lk. 9:37-62*

### **April 5<sup>th</sup>**

*Judg. 15-17 & Lk. 10:1-24*

### **April 6<sup>th</sup>**

*Judg. 18-19 & Lk. 10:25-42*

### **April 7<sup>th</sup>**

*Judg. 20-21 & Lk. 11:1-28*

### **April 8<sup>th</sup>**

*Ruth 1-4 & Lk. 11:29-54*

For MP3 sermons go to [FPR.info](http://FPR.info). The following are other available sermons related to today's subject matter.

- CD # 0907 – **Scripture's Overarching Theme of Grace**
- CD # 0635 – **What's With All the Animal Sacrifices, and Why No More?**
- CD # 0626 – **Our Assurance & God's Truthfulness**
- CD # 0732 – **Seeing Obedience as an Act of Worship**
- CD # 0807 – **Purposeful Praise: Rejuvenating Your Christian Life**

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

- Edwards, Jonathan. **Religious Affections**. Reprint. Banner of Truth, 1961.
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- MacArthur, John. **Worship: The Ultimate Priority**. Moody Press, 2012.
- Murray, John. **Redemption Accomplished and Applied**. Eerdmans, 1984.
- Pache, Rene. **The Inspiration and Authority of Scripture**. Moody Press, 1969.
- Packer, J. I. **Knowing God**. InterVarsity Press, 1973.
- Phillips, J. B. **Your God is Too Small**. Touchstone Books, 1997.
- Schaeffer, Francis A. **The Finished Work of Christ: The Truth of Romans 1 – 8**. Crossway Books, 1998.
- Seifrid, Mark A. **Christ, Our Righteousness: Paul's Theology of Justification**. InterVarsity, 2001.
- Sproul, R. C. **Faith Alone: The Evangelical Doctrine of Justification**. Baker Books, 1995.
- Spurgeon, Charles. **Power in Praising God**. Whitaker House, 1998.
- Stott, John R. W. **The Cross of Christ**. InterVarsity Press, 1986.
- White, James R. **The God Who Justifies**. Bethany House, 2001.