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1 Corinthians GRACE AND LOVE

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FINAL THOUGHTS

Chapter 16 is the closing section of this lengthy letter from Paul to the Corinthian church. He does not summarize the central teachings of the letter, but he does address the issue of the Judean Offering, his travel plans, shares greetings from fellow believers, gratitude for fellow laborers, and offers final admonitions.

THE JUDEAN OFFERING - 1 Corinthians 16:1-4

Paul shares details concerning the offering for the Jewish believers in the Mother Church in Jerusalem. In this brief appeal, we find some timeless principles regarding generosity:

- Intentionality
- Regularity
- Proportionality

TRAVEL PLANS - 1 Corinthians 16:5-12

Paul is in Ephesus (Acts 19), and he intends to send Timothy to Corinth on his behalf. Apollos will not return, but Paul intends to visit Corinth later.

GRATITUDE FOR FELLOW LABORERS - 1 Corinthians 16:13-18

Paul offers thanks for Stephanas, Fortunatus, and Achaicus in particular. These men (and their households) were great encouragers of Paul's.

GREETINGS FROM FELLOW BELIEVERS -

1 Corinthians 16:19-20

The churches across the ancient world were connected through relationships, correspondence, and the itinerant ministries of evangelists like Paul.

FINAL ADMONITIONS - 1 Corinthians 16:13, 21-24

- Stand strong in the faith!
- Love well!
- Anathema!
- Marana Tha!
- Grace and Love!