

KINGDOM WORK-----HELPS

MISSIONS, EVANGELISM, MINISTRY

Ro 16:1-16 ¶ I commend unto you Phebe our sister, which is a servant of the church which is at Cenchrea: **2** That ye receive her in the Lord, as becometh saints, and that ye assist her in whatsoever business she hath need of you: for she hath been a succorer of many, and of myself also.

THE LIFE OF THE HARVEST Acts 1:8

THE PEOPLE PRINCIPLE

THE POTENTIAL PRINCIPLE

THE POWER PRINCIPLE

The Ministry of Helps

Romans 16:1 I commend unto you Phebe our sister, which is a servant of the church which is at Cenchrea;

A SERVANT OF GOD

A SERVANT OF THE CHURCH

A SERVANT OF THE COMMUNITY

Acts 20:35 I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.

The Ministers of Helps

A SISTER

She is described as "a *sister*." Christianity taught mankind that a true relationship might exist amongst those widely sundered by time and space, and widely severed by education and social position. The followers of Jesus learned to regard one another as brothers and sisters and the great spiritual family, of which God is the Father and Christ the elder Brother and Savior. Coming from afar, even in the vast and populous city of Rome, this, godly matron would and brethren in Christ, would be recognized as a sister. Pulpit Commentary

A SERVANT

"A *servant* of the Church at Cenchrea." Literally, a deacon, or deaconess. This shows us how, from the beginning of Christianity, a woman's position was recognized and honoured. Christ has taught humanity the dignity of service; and as when on earth he accepted the ministrations of devout and attached women, so now he delights in their labours and self-sacrifice in his cause on earth. Pulpit Commentary

A SUCCORER help, aid, assist, rescue,

The form of her service is mentioned; she was "a *succourer* of many." Probably a matron of means and social consideration, she had, and used, the opportunity to show kindness to her kindred in the faith, and to others in necessity. She may have shown hospitality to Christian ministers, have visited and relieved the sick poor, have rescued the fallen and neglected. "Of myself also," says the apostle, gratefully and gracefully acknowledging gentle and kindly ministrations, Possibly he had been sick at Cenchrea, upon the occasion when he is recorded to have made a vow, and Phoebe may have entertained and nursed him. Pulpit Commentary

6 Greet Mary, who bestowed much labour on us.

12 Salute Tryphena and Tryphosa, who labour in the Lord. Salute the beloved Persis, which laboured much in the Lord.

The Methods of Helps

AQUILA AND PRISCILLA-----

3 Greet Priscilla and Aquila my helpers in Christ Jesus: 4 Who have for my life laid down their own necks: unto whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles. 5 Likewise *greet* the church that is in their house. Salute my well beloved Epaenetus, who is the firstfruits of Achaia unto Christ.

Acts 18:1-3 ¶ After these things Paul departed from Athens, and came to Corinth; 2 And found a certain Jew named Aquila, born in Pontus, lately come from Italy, with his wife Priscilla; (because that Claudius had commanded all Jews to depart from Rome:) and came unto them. 3 And because he was of the same craft, he abode with them, and wrought: for by their occupation they were tentmakers.

ENLISTMENT

EMPLOYMENT

ENCOURAGEMENT

1 **Corinthians 16:19** ¶ The churches of Asia salute you. Aquila and Priscilla salute you much in the Lord, with the church that is in their house.

The Motivation of Helps

THE SPREAD OF THE GOSPEL

THE SERVICE TO THE BELEIVER

THE STRENGTH TO THE WEARY

KINGDOM HELP IS TO BE RECRIPROCATED WHEN THERE IS THE ABILITY TO DO SO!

2 **Samuel 10:11** And he said, If the Syrians be too strong for me, then thou shalt help me: but if the children of Ammon be too strong for thee, then I will come and help thee.

TEAM WORK-----Yoking

“THERE IS NO I IN TEAM”

KINGDOM WORK IS WEARISOME AND TO BE SHARED!

Luke 10:40 But Martha was cumbered about much serving, and came to him, and said, Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone? bid her therefore that she help me.

