

# Romans

The Example of Christ ([Romans 15:1-7](#))

## Read: The Example of Christ (15:1-7)

## Explain: The Example of Christ (15:1-7)

Are there any literary/structural observations?

What do the words mean?

**1 We who are strong** [able, could, mighty, possible, power, strong] **have an obligation** [present active indicative; \_\_\_\_\_, be under obligation, fail in duty, behave, be bound, be in \_\_\_\_\_, be due, be guilty (indebted), needs, ought, should] **to bear** [present active infinitive; bear, \_\_\_\_\_, take up] **with the failings** [infirmities] **of the weak** [could not do, impossible, impotent, not possible, weak], **and not to please** [present active infinitive; be agreeable, please] **ourselves.** **2 Let each of us please** [present active \_\_\_\_\_; be agreeable, please] **his neighbor** [neighbor, fellow, near] **for his** [his neighbor's] **good** [good, beneficial], **to build him up** [\_\_\_\_\_, a structure, confirmation, building, edify (-ication, -ing)]. **3 For Christ did not please** [aorist active indicative; be agreeable, please] **himself, but as it is written** [perfect middle indicative] [[Psalm 69:6](#)], **"The reproaches** [contumely, reproach] **of those who reproached** [present active participle; defame, rail at, chide, taunt, cast in teeth, (suffer) reproach, revile, upbraid] **you fell** [aorist active indicative; embrace (with affection) or seize (with more or less violence), fall into, fall on, fall upon, lie on, press upon] **on me."** **4 For whatever was written in former days** [*prographo*; second aorist passive (Robertson) indicative; write previously, announce, prescribe, before ordain, evidently set forth, write afore, write aforeside] **was written** [*grapho*; second aorist middle indicative] **for our instruction** [instruction, doctrine, learning, teaching], **that through** [*dia*] **endurance** [cheerful/hopeful endurance, constancy, endurance, patience, patient continuance, waiting] **and through** [*dia*] **the encouragement** [*paraklesis*; imploration, hortation, solace, comfort, consolation, exhortation, intreaty] **of the Scriptures** [*grapho*] **we might have** [present active subjunctive (keep on having)] **hope** [expectation, confidence, faith, hope]. **5 May the God of endurance** [cheerful/hopeful endurance, constancy, endurance, patience, patient continuance, waiting] **and encouragement** [*paraklesis*; imploration, hortation, solace, comfort, consolation, exhortation, intreaty] **grant** [second aorist active \_\_\_\_\_; give] **you to live in such harmony**

[*phroneo*; present active infinitive; exercise the mind, entertain or have a sentiment or opinion, be (mentally) disposed, to interest oneself in, set the affection on, mind, regard, savor, think] **with one another, in accord** [\_\_\_\_\_] **with Christ Jesus, 6 that together** [unanimously, with one accord (mind)] **you may with one voice** [mouth, language, opening, front or edge, face] **glorify** [present active subjunctive (keep on glorifying); render glorious, glorify, honor, magnify] **the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. 7 Therefore welcome** [present middle \_\_\_\_\_; take to oneself, use (food), lead (aside), admit (to friendship or hospitality), receive, take unto] **one another as Christ has welcomed** [second aorist middle indicative; take to oneself, use (food), lead (aside), admit (to friendship or hospitality), receive, take unto] **you, for the glory** [very apparent glory, dignity, glory, honor, praise, worship] **of God.**

Are there any repeated words?

Are there any repeated topics?

What are some observations of the text?

1 **Robertson's New Testament Word Pictures: Paul identifies himself with this wing**

5 **Mounce: Does not mean that they should all come to the same conclusion**

**Apply (What is the point?)**

1. The strong owe the weak
2. Christians glorify God in unity
3. Christianity is a welcoming faith
4. Jesus is our example

**Personalize (What do we do with that?)**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

**Next week: Christ the Hope of Jews and Gentiles (15:8-13)**

**Homework**

Resources (our helps—order matters)

- Holy Spirit
- Bible: **Romans** (ESV)
- Church: [bit.ly/FlemingSS](http://bit.ly/FlemingSS)
- Tools: [bit.ly/romans2017](http://bit.ly/romans2017)

Our process

- Ask (the Holy Spirit for help)
- Read (**Romans**)
- Talk (about **Romans**—[bit.ly/romans2017group](http://bit.ly/romans2017group))
- Send (feedback to [jim314@yahoo.com](mailto:jim314@yahoo.com) by Wed)