

SERMON SHEET

8/10/25

Education Sunday #2
"Confident Disciples, part 2"
Text: Romans 15:14-21

I. Introduction: The importance of teaching is seen throughout the New Testament.

II. Review

1. Disciples of Christ display an encouraging confidence in God's people (v. 14).
2. Disciples of Christ demonstrate a worshipful confidence in God's call (vs. 15-16).

III. Marks of a confident disciple, continued

3. Disciples of Christ portray a Biblical confidence in God's work (vs. 17-18).
4. Disciples of Christ express a dependent confidence in God's means (vs. 18-19).
5. Disciples of Christ exhibit an ambitious confidence in God's Word (vs. 20-21).

III. Conclusion – a final word

QUOTES

1. James M. Boice:

How, then, can Paul speak ... of the Roman believers being filled with goodness? The answer, obviously, is that they had become Christians, having been turned from their sin to faith and righteousness by the power of the Holy Spirit. It is true, as Robert Haldane writes, that "in our flesh there is nothing good." But it is equally true that "from the work of the Spirit on our hearts we may be full of goodness." This is to be a normal condition. It is not a matter for some superclass of Christians.

2. Kent Hughes:

It is common knowledge today that how we perceive ourselves greatly determines how we live our lives... Imagine, then, what this priestly self-perception did for Paul. His missionary life was to him intensely sacred. The most mundane daily occurrences were holy. However ignominious his treatment, he was garbed in imperturbable dignity as a servant of God. Everything was done to please God. All of life was a liturgy.

3. Thomas Schreiner:

The dynamic of the Spirit is the means by which Paul achieved all that he did in every area: his speech, his actions, and his signs and wonders. All of these were energized by the Holy Spirit.

SUPPORTING SCRIPTURE

- **1 Cor. 15:10; Col. 1:28-29**
- **Is. 52:15**