

A Final, Important Admonition

Romans 16:17-20

(series #97)

Introduction: Satan's continuous attacks on our unity

I. The command: "avoid those who..." v. 17

- A. The issue of unity
 - 1. Romans 12:16 - "Be of the same mind..."
 - a. "do not set your mind on high things" - Jms. 2:1-9
 - b. "do not be wise in your own opinion"
 - 2. Romans 15:5-7
 - 3. Titus 3:10-11
- B. The issue of sound doctrine
 - 1. John 17:17-21
 - 2. Philippians 3:18-19

II. The description: v. 18

- A. They do not serve our Lord Jesus Christ
- B. They serve their own belly, i.e. desires or preferences
- C. "by smooth words and flattering speech they deceive..."

III. The confidence: "your obedience..." v. 19

IV. The victory: "God... will crush Satan" v. 20

V. Application: the importance of warning - Acts 20:31