

Priscilla/Aquila – Romans 16:3, 4

In [Romans 16:1, 2](#), we have a magnificent believer (Phebe) in the single state and, now ([Romans 16:3, 4](#)) we have Priscilla (Prisca) in married state.

Paul only trusted one woman with the transportation of the book of Romans to Rome. It was Phebe and gave her two special titles – servant (diakonos) and protectress (prostasis).

Greet – AMImp 2nd p.pl. ἀσπάζομαι

This is an imperative of entreaty and not a command.

Prisca – πρίσκα acc.s.d.o. from Priskan

1. Prisca is a believer.
2. She is the wife of Aquila – Eagle.
3. She recognizes her husband as the head of the house.
4. She sustains him in every decision.
5. She provided encouragement for him in every way.
6. The Scripture reveals that:
 - (1) She was in accord with opening her home for the assembly of the local Church in Ephesus – [I Cor. 16:19](#).
 - (2) In Paul's departure from Corinth Prisca and Aquila accompanied Paul as his helpers [Acts 18:18](#).
 - (3) Prisca joined her husband in Perception to God and His Word which means that both had Spiritual Food Residing in their souls. Having attained maturity they had the ability to give Spiritual Food to Apollos according to [Acts 18:24-26](#).
 - (4) Paul first encountered this fantastic married couple in Corinth, revealed in [Acts 18:2, 3](#).

And-καὶ

Aquila-Ἀκὺλαν acc.s.d.o. noun Akulas

1. Aquila was a Jew from Pontus.
2. A tentmaker by trade.
3. When Claudius ordered the Jews out of Rome, Aquila took his wife to Corinth around 49 AD.

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4. Paul lived with this couple in Corinth.
5. Prisca and Aquila traveled with Paul to Ephesus where they became pillars of the Church in that area.
6. Then Prisca and Aquila returned to Rome from Ephesus and they are now in Rome and have settled and are using their home as a meeting place for the 1st Church at Rome.

My Helpers = acc.pl.d.o. from sunergos-συνεργός = work together gen.s. of ego of me.

In Christ Jesus ἐν plus loc of χριστος Ἰησοῦ.

“Greet Priscilla and Aquila my helpers in Christ Jesus”

What does this mean?

1. This is a marriage between a Jew and a Gentile. Aquila has the Jewish information and Prisca, a Gentile, has Church Age information.
2. They had domestic tranquility.
3. In [2 Tim. 4:19](#), Prisca and Aquila are included in Paul’s last greeting.
4. Aquila means EAGLE – which is a Roman name. Many Jews, when they came to live in Rome, took Roman names.
5. Aquila and Prisca were occupied with the LJC – (THAT ALWAYS HELPS A MARRIAGE). They had love for each other and they loved Paul as their dearest friend.
6. They had a right attitude toward God and His Word. They were glad to be fellow-workers with Paul. They did not have to be first on the totem pole. They were team people. Paul led the team – but all the members of the team were necessary for an effective ministry.
7. These two people understood the meaning of ARISTOCRACY.