

Drawing Comfort from God's Steadfast Love
Romans 8:31-39
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Romans 8 gives comfort and assurance to the true people of God.

Our salvation was initiated in eternity past, activated in time, and will be completed in glory.

Revelation demands a response.

God has chosen sides

The if here is not iffy. "If God is for us..." "**Since** God is for us."

God fights with us; He battles for his children. He never loses

We have small and insignificant enemies compared to God.

If Jesus willingly experienced hell for us, will not he also give us the benefits of the death?

Since he has freely given the greater gift, will he not also give the lesser gifts?

Abraham did not withhold his son either.

The cross is the measure of God's love and the assurance that God's love will never end. (Romans 5:8-9)

Who is to condemn? Who will bring a charge against us?

There is nothing to prosecute us for.

The law is fully satisfied. We are righteous in Christ.

Christ is judge and deliverer. (Isaiah 50:8-9)

It doesn't matter where these accusations come from.

Now, this clean slate, this immunity from judgment is not an encouragement to sin.

I would like to be a conqueror, but what is more than a conqueror?

A Conquerer defeats the enemy; "more than a conqueror causes the enemy to become a helper." William Hendriksen.

There is no possible separation from God for God has loved us.

Doesn't suffering separate me from God? Only if you let it.

The comfort contained in this passage is even greater than v 36.

Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ.

God has taken sides, and God's love never ends.

Our anchor is in eternity; and the anchor holds.

What shall we say to all these things?