Isaiah 45:5-6 (NIV)

I am the LORD, and there is no other; apart from me there is no God. I will strengthen you, though you have not acknowledged me, [6] so that from the rising of the sun to the place of its setting men may know there is none besides me...

Isaiah 45:6-7 (NIV)

...I am the LORD, and there is no other.

[7] I form the light and create darkness, I bring prosperity and create disaster; I, the LORD, do all these things

Romans 8:31-32, 37 (NIV)

What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us? [32] He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all - how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? ...[37] No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

We BELIEVE... There is ALWAYS HOPE

Romans 8:31-39

Isaiah 45:5-6 (NIV)

I am the LORD, and there is no other; apart from ME there is no God.

I will strengthen you, though you have not acknowledged me, [6] so that from the rising of the sun to the place of its setting men may know there is NONE besides ME. I am the LORD, and there is no other.

Isaiah 45:7 (NIV)

I form the light and create darkness,

I bring prosperity and create disaster;

I, the LORD, DO ALL these things.

→ God is NOT worried about His Reputation

2 Peter 3:9-10 (NIV)

The Lord is NOT SLOW in keeping His promise, as some understand slowness. He is PATIENT with you, not wanting anyone to PERISH, but everyone to come to repentance.

[10] But the day of the Lord WILL COME like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything in it will be laid bare.

→ God's Timing is PERFECT

Jesus GAVE Himself...

- to REDEEM us FROM all Wickedness
- to PURIFY us FOR Himself
- so we would be EAGER to do GOOD

Paul tells us...

- we ARE a NEW Creation
- we HAVE a ministry of RECONCILIATION
- we ARE AMBASSADORS for Christ
- we IMPLORE people to come to Christ

We are...

- ALIENS we live in a foreign land
- STRANGERS foreigners, temporary residents

ABSTAIN from- keep away from worldly desires

2 Timothy 4:6-8 (NIV)

I have **FOUGHT** the good **FIGHT**, I have **FINISHED** the race, I have **KEPT** the faith.

[8] Now there is in store for me **the crown**of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day - and not only to me, but also to **ALL** who have **LONGED** for **HIS** appearing.

[35] Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?

Shall **TROUBLE** or **HARDSHIP** or **PERSECUTION** or **FAMINE** or **NAKEDNESS** or **DANGER** or **SWORD**?

[38] For I am convinced that neither **DEATH** nor **LIFE**, neither **ANGELS** nor **DEMONS**, neither the **PRESENT** nor the FUTURE, nor ANY POWERS, [39] neither **HEIGHT** nor **DEPTH**, nor **ANYTHING ELSE** in all creation, will be able to **SEPARATE** us from the love of God that is IN Christ Jesus our Lord

→ NOTHING can Separate me FROM the Love of Jesus

Romans 8:35-39 (JBP)

Can anything separate us from the love of Christ? Can trouble, pain or persecution? Can lack of clothes and food, danger to life and limb, the threat of force of arms? Indeed some of us know the truth of the ancient text: 'For your sake we are killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter'. No, in all these things we win an overwhelming victory through him who has proved his love for us.

Romans 8:35-39 (JBP)

I have become absolutely convinced that neither death nor life, neither messenger of Heaven nor monarch of earth, neither what happens today nor what may happen tomorrow, neither a power from on high nor a power from below, nor anything else in God's whole world has any power to separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord!

There is a hope that lifts my weary head, A consolation strong against despair, That when the world has plunged me in its deepest pit, I find the Savior there Through present sufferings, future's fear, He whispers 'courage' in my ear. For I am safe in everlasting arms, And He will lead me home.