

## Full of HOPE ~ Romans 8:31-39

→Scripture Reading Rom. 8:31-32, 35, 38-39

### How do We RESPOND in Hope? ~ Romans 8:31-32

<sup>31</sup> What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us?

What matters is **NOT WHO is against us -BUT- WHO is FOR us** FLSB

<sup>32</sup> 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?

<sup>8:3</sup> ...what **the Law was POWERLESS to do** in that it was weakened by the sinful nature, **God DID** by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful man **to BE a SIN offering...** (NIV)

**2 Peter 1:3** (NIV) His divine power has **given us everything we need for life and godliness** through our knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and goodness.

### IMPLICATIONS

→God is FOR US

<sup>31</sup>...God is FOR US...

**John 3:16** (HCS) For **God loved the world in this way: He GAVE His One and Only Son**, so that everyone who BELIEVES in Him will not perish but HAVE eternal life.

→God is NOT AGAINST us

<sup>31</sup>...If God is FOR US, who can be AGAINST us?

**Isaiah 41:10** (NLT) Don't be afraid, for **I AM WITH YOU**. Don't be discouraged, **FOR I AM YOUR GOD**. I will **strengthen** you and **help** you. I will **HOLD YOU UP** with my victorious right hand.

We bring our **weakness** and He gives us His **strength**; we bring our **sin** and He forgives us by **His grace**; we bring our **emptiness** and He answers with His **Fulness**. Barnhouse

→We can FACE our FEARS because God is FOR US and He is WITH us

<sup>31</sup> ...If God is FOR US, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup> 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?**

**Psalm 23:4** (NIV) Even though I **walk through the valley of the shadow of death**, I will fear no evil, for **YOU are WITH me**; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

### WHO Can CONDEMN Us ? ~ Romans 8:33-34

<sup>33</sup> Who will bring any CHARGE against those whom God has chosen? **It is God who JUSTIFIES**.

**Romans 5:1** (NIV) Therefore, since **we have been JUSTIFIED through FAITH**, we have PEACE with God through our Lord Jesus Christ

<sup>34</sup> Who is he that condemns? **Christ Jesus, who DIED** - more than that, who was raised to life - is at the **right hand of God** and is **also interceding for us**.

**John 3:17** (NIV) For God did NOT SEND His Son into the world **to CONDEMN** the world, but to **SAVE the world through Him**.

<sup>33</sup> Who dares accuse us whom God has chosen for His own? No one - for God himself has given us right standing with Himself. <sup>34</sup> Who then will condemn us? No one - for Christ Jesus died for us and was raised to life for us, and He is sitting in the place of honor at God's right hand, pleading for us. (NLT)

My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought - My sin, not in part but the whole,  
Is **nailed to the cross**, and I bear it no more, - Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, o my soul  
It is well, it is well with my soul

## Can ANYTHING Separate us From God's LOVE? ~ Romans 8:35-39

<sup>35</sup> WHO shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?

**2 Corinthians 4:8-9** (NIV) We are **hard pressed** on every side, but not crushed; **perplexed**, but not in despair; **persecuted**, but not abandoned; **struck down**, but not destroyed.

<sup>35</sup> Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? <sup>36</sup> As it is written: For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered. <sup>37</sup> No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.

<sup>38</sup> For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, <sup>39</sup> 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.

## IMPLICATIONS

→ **NOTHING** can Ever **SEPARATE** us from God's **LOVE**

<sup>35</sup> Can ANYTHING ever **SEPARATE** us from Christ's love? Does it mean he no longer loves us if we have **trouble** or **calamity**, or are **persecuted**, or **hungry**, or **destitute**, or in **danger**, or **threatened with death**? (NLT)

<sup>37</sup> **NO**, despite **ALL these things**, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ... (NLT)

**2 Corinthians 4:8-9** (NLT) We are pressed on every side by troubles, but we are not crushed. We are perplexed, but not driven to despair. <sup>9</sup> **We are hunted down, but never abandoned by God.** We get knocked down, but we are not destroyed.

## TAKE AWAY ??

→ **I am CONVINCED - NOTHING** can Separate me From God's **LOVE**

**Romans 8:38** (NLT) And I am **CONVINCED** that nothing can ever separate us from God's love.