

More Than Conquerors—Romans 8:28–39

Topics: Angels, Demons, Love, Persecution, Purpose, Security, Victory, Zeal

Open It

1. How do you explain why bad things happen to nice people?

Romans 8:28–39 (ESV)

²⁸And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.

²⁹For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.

³⁰And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

³¹What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

³²He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?

³³Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies.

³⁴Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?

³⁶As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered."

³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

³⁸For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers,

³⁹nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Explore It

2. How does God work in all the situations and events of a person's life? (8:28)
3. What does God want each person to become? (8:29)
4. What has God done to make people what He wants them to be? (8:30)
5. What made Paul confident that God takes care of His people? (8:31–32)
6. Where is Jesus Christ right now? (8:34)
7. What possible tragedies or hardships are unable to separate us from the love of Christ? (8:35–39)
8. What kind of persecutions have God's people often faced? (8:36)
9. What gives God's people the ability to respond in triumph to persecution? (8:37)

Get It

10. What gives Christians confidence as they go through hard times?
11. How have you experienced God's never-ending love in your life?

Apply It

12. How can you show trust in God to work out your circumstances for good?