

NO CONDEMNATION.

VIII

NO SEPARATION.

No Separation– Romans 8:35-39

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“We don’t struggle to believe in love ‘that won’t quit’. We just doubt that this is how God loves us.”

In this final message from our series in Romans 8, Lewis Roderick shows us why our union with all conquering Christ assures us that nothing will ever separate us from the love of God.

For personal reflection/community discussion

Read – Read the passage in its context several times. Read it slow enough to understand what God is saying through it.

- What ideas or words are emphasised, repeated or related in this passage?
- In your own words, what is the main idea of this passage? (Try to summarise these verses in 10 words or less)

Examine – Next, try to understand the specifics of what the passage is communicating.

- What do you notice about God? What has he done/is he doing in these verses?
- What do you learn about Jesus and his gospel from this passage?
- What does it reveal about people?
- How do you think the writer wanted his reader to respond to these words?

Apply - After seeking to understand God's Word in this passage, consider how he intends to use it in your heart and life today.

- Have you ever experienced the confusion and sadness described in Psalm 44? How do vv.35-39 resolve the tensions of this Psalm?
- The major preoccupation of the chapter as a whole is assurance. How do these verses assure your heart personally? What difference will they make to your life if you take them to heart?
- As you reflect back on the whole of VIII, how has your understanding of the gospel changed? Give thanks together for God's word and pray that this passage would bring life and gospel renewal to you and our church.