



The Lord's Day Morning — December 22, 2024
Fourth Sunday of Advent

"God's Gifts: Meditations on God's Gifts"

Romans 8:31–39

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This Advent season, we are studying God's gifts to His people, to humanity, as Romans describes. Our theme verse is 8:32 "If God is for us, who can be against us? He 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?"

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Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? No one with standing. (8:33)
– Satan's accusations. Accusations from believers; from ourselves.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? (8:34–39)
– No one can, nothing can, not even death. We are more than conquerors.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR GROUPS:

1. Who is against you? Today's message mentioned sin, death, Satan, human rivals, and tyrants. Who is against you? How do you apply Paul's teachings to your own life? Our life in families and in the church?
2. Spend a few minutes recounting God's gifts to you. Do you ever think, "The gifts will stop eventually, maybe soon?" Why do you think that? What biblical teachings enable you to calm your doubts?
3. Who brings the most troublesome accusations against you? Do you agree: Accusations can be helpful if they are true. How can that be correct? According to Scripture, how should we respond to false charges? To true charges?
4. How does it shape our lives to know that nothing can separate us from the love of Christ? How does it change our thoughts? Our emotional life? Spend time giving thanks for this great truth.