GOD IS FOR US

Ryland Walter | July 9-10, 2022 Week 5: Secure In Christ

Five Questions That Lead To Five Unshakeable Assurances

- 1. If God is for us, who can be against us?
- 2. 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?
- 3. Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies.
- 4. Who then is the one who condemns? No one. 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.
- 5. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?

Securities You Can Count On

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2. God will give to us (God's abundant love)

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Romans 8:32 (NIV)

"The cross is the guarantee of the continuing, unfailing generosity of God." — John Stott

I can conquer my fear of provision

3. God will forgive us (God's merciful love)

Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. Romans 8:33 (NIV)

I can conquer my fear of accusation!

4. God will not condemn us (God's unconditional love)

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Four ways I know this to be true:

- 1. Jesus died
- 2. Jesus lives
- 3. Jesus sits at God's right hand
- 4. Jesus intercedes

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Romans 8:35-39 (NIV)

I can conquer my fear of separation!



SECURE IN CHRIST Talk-it-Over Notes | July 9-10, 2022

REVIEW IT

We have seen many great promises in just this one chapter of scripture! Living by God's promises is essential. However, we can become jaded toward God's promises because the world and others often let us down. Broken promises and fear become our normal. But God keeps all his promises. Because of His love we can know that God is for us, God will give to us, God will forgive us, God will not condemn us and God will never leave us. Through Christ we can conquer our fears of opposition, provision, accusation, condemnation and separation!

Spend some time in the word... Read Romans 8:31-39

TALK ABOUT IT

- Verse 31: Do you feel that God is on your side?
- Verse 32: What do you think are some of the reasons many believers struggle with seeing God as miserly instead of as abundantly giving?
- Verses 33-34: When in your life did you trust Jesus to forgive you and to no longer condemn you? If it was during this session, be sure to tell the group so they can pray for you!
- Verses 35-39: What do you think might help you to be as convinced as Paul was that nothing can separate you from the love of God?

ACT ON IT

Spend some time on the mountaintop of God's assurance this week. Take ten minutes each morning or evening to read over these assurances once again. Look at your life and circumstances in light of these promises!

PRAY ABOUT IT

As you pray for one another's needs, also take time to specifically thank God for the truth of some of the verses in Romans 8. (For instance, "Thank you that you groan for us... thank you that you are using all things to work together for good in our lives... Thank you that nothing can separate us from your love...)