

Romans 12:15 (ESV): Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep

From Pastor Ed

- 1) We live in a world that is frequently confusing, dismaying, and disappointing. What specific obstacles are you facing today?
- 2) When you think of your own mortality, that someday you will die, how does it make you feel? Filled with fear? Somewhat anxious but still confident? Sensing a growing excitement and longing for Eternal Life?
- 3) Paul believes that even death will not separate us from God's love. How does his joyful confidence make you feel?

From Mark Driscoll

Personal Study Questions:

1. Make note of the four questions Paul answers in this section of Romans.
2. Make note of all the categories of problems believers might face according to this section of Scripture.
3. Make note of all the things God promises a believer in this section of Scripture.
4. What does it mean that Jesus Christ is interceding for you right now before the Father as your advocate and intercessor (see also Psalm 110 and Hebrews 7:25, which speaks of Jesus as our Great High Priest)?

Group Discussion Questions:

1. Which of the obstacles Paul lists have you personally endured?
2. Which of the blessings from God Paul lists are the most precious to you? Why?
3. Do you truly believe that there is no one and no thing that can separate you from God's love, including yourself and things you've done or might do?
4. Since Jesus lives to intercede for us before the Father, how can we also intercede for you in prayer bringing your requests to Him?

From Tommy Nelson

In 8:37 how do we conquer?

From Tim Keller

The remedy is to read, re-read, deeply ponder and learn to live out of the truths of verses 18–30!

How has your reading today motivated you to holiness and Christ-likeness?

How has looking back up and on down the “chain” of verse 30 thrilled you today?

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How do you need the truth—that nothing can separate God’s love from God’s people—to comfort you today?

From Teaching Romans

What are the five stages by which God fulfills his great purpose in Christians (vv. 28–31)?

What is God’s great aim (v. 29)?

What is Paul’s main point in verses 35–39?

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For the Love of God - Skip Heitzig

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Romans 8:35-37 John Piper

Romans 8:38,39 John Piper

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