If God Is For Us (Romans 8:31)

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INTRODUCTION

- It is so very comforting, reassuring, consoling to the believer, regardless of the circumstances that we may be experiencing in our lives.
- If God is with you, if God is for you, then let what happens happen.

1 God Is Faithful to His Promises

Romans 8:28–30

- The point of this text in Romans is that God is faithful to his promises.
- The evidence of his faithfulness is what is provided by him for his people. And these are glorious provisions.
- He's talking about a kind of person who would be conformed to the image of his son.
- It's for all of us to conform more closely to the image of Christ to possess his mind and character in our own lives.

2 An Extraordinary Hope

Romans 8:23–25

- Not only are there glorious provisions, there is an extraordinary hope that we have.
- For in hope we have been saved. But hope that is seen is not hope.
- But if we hope for what we do not see with perseverance, we wait eagerly for it.
- But maybe you're questioning in your mind, but is he really for me?

3 The Spirit Helps Our Weakness

Romans 8:26; Romans 8:34

- Look at where these people lived. They're in the very seat of organized opposition and persecution.
- The Spirit also helps our weakness. For we do not know how to pray as we should, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words.
- We have help that we need because of our weakness. Even in our weakness.

4 There Is Extraordinary Opposition

Revelation 2:13; Romans 8:35–39

- But there is extraordinary opposition. Again, the forces at Rome were visible to the church that resided there.
- You did not deny my name, you were faithful to me, which illustrates the truth of Romans chapter 8.

- But in these things we overwhelmingly conquer through him who loved us.
- Nor anything created shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

5 Promises in Spite of Imperfect Performance

Hebrews 2:3; Hebrews 7:25

- These promises are given to believers in spite of their weakness. In spite of, I would suggest to you, imperfect performance.
- Failure is foolish. But it is not final.
- No sin is so large that it cannot be laid at the foot of the cross and covered by God's magnificent grace.
- No sin is so small when persisted in that it is not an arrogant imposition on the grace of God and will destroy.
- We have a great high priest who is able to save us forever if we draw near to him, and he ever lives to make intercession for us.

6 Those Who Are With the Lamb

Revelation 14:1–13

- These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever he goes.
- And those who are with Him are the called and the chosen and the faithful.
- Not only is God for you in spite of occasional poor performance. In spite of weakness, God is with you.
- Don't let what is visible affect your confidence in the invisible.

THE CHALLENGE

You need to be identified with him. Do you need to respond to his invitation while there's time and opportunity?

MY NOTES