

AN EASTER REFLECTION

Romans 8:31-34

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³¹ What then shall we say to these things? If God *is* for us, who *is* against us?

³² He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him over for us all, how will He not also with Him freely give us all things?

³³ Who will bring a charge against God's elect? God is the one who justifies;

³⁴ who is the one who condemns? Christ Jesus is He who died, yes, rather who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us.

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Significance of Resurrection

1. God is For Us

- He is not against us in wrath – He does not condemn us but justifies us
- He will freely give us all things
- No person or creature in the universe can bring a valid charge against us

Significance of Resurrection

1. God is For Us

- *grounded in Christ's resurrection/exaltation*
 - without the resurrection of Jesus there is no justification of sinners (cf. Rom. 4:25)
 - God's verdict for us is present and manifest in the resurrected Christ

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2. Nothing is Ultimately Against Us

- we overwhelmingly conquer through Christ anything that threatens to separate us from Him
- God, who is for us, causes all these things to work for our eternal good

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