

The Book of Romans

The Gospel of God

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.

³⁵ Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

³⁶ Just as it is written,

"FOR YOUR SAKE WE ARE BEING PUT TO DEATH ALL DAY LONG; WE WERE CONSIDERED AS SHEEP TO BE SLAUGHTERED."

³⁷ But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us.

³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers,

³⁹ nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

(Romans 8:31-39)

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A Celebration of Our Security in Christ

"What then shall we say to these things?"

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"Who is against us?" (v. 31)

"Who will bring a charge against God's elect?" (v.33)

"Who is the one who condemns?" (v. 34)

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?" (v.35)

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What Shall We Say?

1. "Who will bring a charge against us?"
 - no charge will stand against "God's elect" (chosen)
 - no one can successfully charge us because God is the one who justifies us

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2. "Who is the one who condemns?"
 - no one can condemn us, especially not Christ to whom all judgment has been committed
 - no one can condemn us because of Jesus Christ's mediatorial work for us

What Shall We Say?

- Christ's Mediatorial Work:
 1. "Who died"
 - His death removed the grounds of our condemnation

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- Christ's Mediatorial Work:
 2. "Who was raised"
 - our justification is secured and manifested in the resurrection of Jesus
 - the death of Jesus for us is meaningless apart from His resurrection (c.f. 1 Cor. 15:17)

What Shall We Say?

- Christ's Mediatorial Work:
 3. "Who is at the right hand of God"
 - He is exalted as the glorified Son over all rule and power and authority as our representative (c.f. Eph. 1:20-21)

What Shall We Say?

- Christ's Mediatorial Work:
 4. "Who intercedes for us"
 - His continued presence before God, as the crucified and risen Son, secures forever our pardon and the continued supply of grace

²⁵Therefore He is able also to save forever those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them. (Hebrews 7:25)

¹⁴Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. ¹⁵For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as *we are*, yet without sin. ¹⁶Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. (Hebrews 4:14-16)