

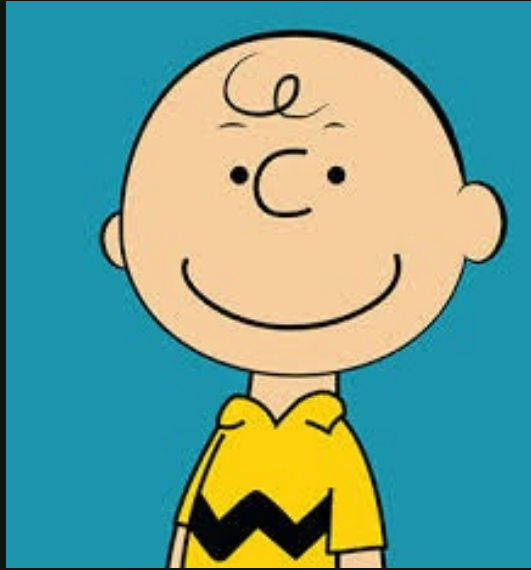


# Even if

**Romans 8:31, 35 & 37**

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There are four levels of “if ” in the Greek.

- 1) “If” is a yes, a positive statement:  
If you love me I’ll change the world.
- 2) ‘If” is a negative: if you don’t love me  
I’ll die.
- 3) “If” is a maybe. If the wind blows  
tomorrow I’ll fly a kite.
- 4) “If” is a wish or desire.  
IF only I had hair!





# TO ANSWER THE “EVEN IF” BEGINS WITH PATIENCE

“being strengthened with all  
power according to his glorious  
might so that you may have great  
endurance and patience,”

Colossians 1:11 NIV



**Patience is probably  
the hardest virtue for most modern  
Christians to acquire.**





# TO ANSWER THE “EVEN IF”, CONTINUES WITH PERSISTENCE

*Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?*



***Romans 8:35 NIV***

# Do hypothetical situations turn into painful realities?



# TO ANSWER THE “EVEN IF” FINISHES WITH PERSPECTIVE

*“No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.”*

*Romans 8:37 NIV*



You've been knocked down more times

A person is seen from behind, climbing a large sand dune. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a warm, golden glow across the sky and the dunes. The person's shadow is cast long on the sand. The dunes are rolling and undulating, with the person's path visible as a line of footprints.