

Romans 8:31

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“The design of God in this chapter is to give you such a deep, firm, unshakable, God-wrought, blood-bought security in his all-conquering love, that in these seven kinds of sufferings you will not curse him or forsake him or reproach him, but trust him and hold fast...”

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“...to him and be satisfied with him when all else is taken away. ‘When all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay.’ Or, as Job said, after he tore his robe and shaved his head and fell on the ground...”

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“‘Naked I came from my mother’s womb, and naked shall I return. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.’” (Job 1:21; 42:11)

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“In other words, the design of this passage is not to add eternal security to a life devoted to earthly comfort. The design is to promise eternal security to free you from a life devoted to earthly comfort...”

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“...and give you the freedom and joy and courage to move toward need, not toward ease. Oh, the joy and holy health of soul that Americans forfeit in living for their own comfort while the poor and sick and oppressed and unloved and unconverted people of the world perish.”

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“Sum it up like this: Romans 8 is about God in Christ giving massive security for merciful service through many sufferings.”

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God is for us!

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1. Clarify the Audience

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Who is “us”?

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“The meaning here, God is not merely on our side in struggles, but God’s uncaused unalterable attitude with respect to those **in Christ**...
God is for us!

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120 times in the New Testament, Paul uses “in Christ” to describe our secure relationship with God.

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For if while we were enemies
we were reconciled to God by
the death of his Son, much
more, now that we are
reconciled, shall we be saved
by his life.

Romans 5:10 ESV

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How can I be
reconciled to God?

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Recognize

...but God shows his love for
us in that while we were still
sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 5:8 ESV

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Repent

...for all have sinned and fall
short of the glory of God...

Romans 3:23 ESV

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Receive

⁹If you confess with your mouth that
Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart
that God raised him from the dead,
you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart
one believes and is justified, and with
the mouth one confesses and is saved.

Romans 10:9-10 ESV

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1. Clarify the Audience
2. Consider These Implications

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The LORD is my light and
my salvation; whom shall I
fear? The LORD is the
stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?

Psalm 27:1 ESV

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God is for us when...

- circumstances disappoint us.

2. Consider These Implications

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Who shall separate us from
the love of Christ? Shall
tribulation, or distress,
or persecution, or famine,
or nakedness, or danger,
or sword?

Romans 8:35 ESV

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God is for us when...

- circumstances disappoint us.
- people turn against us.
- change affects us.
- “the worst” happens to us.
- the enemy comes against us.

2. Consider These Implications

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⁸Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. ⁹Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world.

1 Peter 5:8-9 ESV

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And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you.

1 Peter 5:10 ESV

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2. Consider These Implications
3. Stand Confident Behind this “Shield”

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⁴⁵“You come to me with a sword and with a spear and with a javelin, but I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied...

1 Samuel 17:45, 47 ESV

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...⁴⁷that all this assembly may know that the LORD saves not with sword and spear. For the battle is the LORD's, and he will give you into our hand.”

1 Samuel 17:45, 47 ESV

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The LORD is my strength and
my shield; in him my heart
trusts, and I am helped;
my heart exults, and with
my song I give thanks to him.

Psalm 28:7 ESV

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