

God Is For Us
Romans 8:31-39

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1. Confidence can be a very good thing. It can also be a millstone around one's neck. Being confident simply is not enough. The crucial issue is in whom, or in what, is our confidence. Ill-founded confidence is deadly. Well-founded confidence is proper and good.

- a. Some Christians have no confidence at all.
- b. Other Christians have great confidence but in the wrong thing.

2. In our text, Paul gives us every reason to be confident, not in ourselves but in our salvation and in the sovereign God who is accomplishing it. To everyone who is in Christ by faith, they are words of comfort and reassurance. So let's look at five statements our text poses, all with the same answer.

I. God Is For Us. (**Romans 8: 31**)

- A The implication is "Since God is for us...?"
 - 1. This is really a statement of truth rather than a question to be answered.
 - 2. God is for us. God is at work, causing all things to work together for our good.
- B Who can be against us?
 - 1. In some sense the Christian has more enemies than anyone else.
- C The statement of God's love is more than a theological fact. It's something we can know because of what God has done in history to prove it.

II. Who Can Bring a Charge Against Us? (**Rom. 8: 33**)

- A Who accuses you? Well, the Devil does!
 - 1. In the book of Job, Satan is seen walking into the very courts of God.
- B You may have heard those words of condemnation. "There's no way God could love you, you're too wicked!"
- C Too often we listen to Satan's accusations.

III. Who Can Condemn Us? (**Rom. 8: 34**)

- A The only one who can condemn us is Jesus Christ, for He is revealed in Scripture as the One who will Judge all people.
- B He will be the judge of both Christians and the lost masses of humanity at the end of the age.

IV. Nothing Can Separate Us. (**Rom. 8: 35**)

- A Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?
- B Paul lists a number of things that potentially we think will separate us from the love of God. This list includes emotional and physical things, mortal and immortal things, and just everyday situations. Paul declares none of our worldly concerns will separate us. Who then can separate us? Nobody and nothing!