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3. He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?
4. Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies.
5. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.
6. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?

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Romans 8:28 And we know that for **those who love God all things** work together for **good**, for **those who are called according to his purpose**.

Romans 8:29 For **those whom he foreknew** he also **predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son**, in order that **he might be the firstborn among many brothers**.

Romans 8:30 And **those whom he predestined he also called**, and **those whom he called he also justified**, and **those whom he justified he also glorified**.

If God is for us, who can be against us?

If God - The magnitude of this truth depends on who God is and what he is like.

For us - Who comprises us?

Romans 1:6 including **you who are called to belong to Jesus Christ**,

Romans 1:7 To all those in Rome **who are loved by God** and **called to be saints: Grace** to you and **peace from God** our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 5:8 but **God shows his love** for us in that **while we were still sinners, Christ died for us**.

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What does “who can be against us mean”?

2Corinthians 11:23 Are they servants of Christ? I am a better one—I am talking like a madman—with far **greater labors**, far **more imprisonments**, with **countless beatings**, and **often near death**.

2Corinthians 11:24 **Five times** I received at the hands of the Jews the **forty lashes less one**.

2Corinthians 11:25 **Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I was stoned. Three times I was shipwrecked**; a night and a day I was adrift at sea;

2Corinthians 11:26 on frequent journeys, **in danger** from rivers, **danger** from robbers, **danger** from my own people, **danger** from Gentiles, **danger** in the city, **danger** in the wilderness, **danger** at sea, **danger** from false brothers;

2Corinthians 11:27 in **toil** and **hardship**, through **many a sleepless night**, in **hunger** and **thirst**, **often without food**, in **cold** and **exposure**.

2Corinthians 11:28 And, apart from other things, **there is the daily pressure on me of my anxiety for all the churches**.

Paul's rhetorical question demands the answer that no one can successfully, ultimately stand between us and God's good pre-determined destiny for us: conformity to the image of His son, ultimately completed at glorification.

Hebrews 9:27 And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment,

Hebrews 9:28 so Christ, having been offered once to **bear the sins** of many, will appear a second time, **not to deal with sin** but to save those who are **eagerly waiting for him**.

If He is all good and sovereign over everything and He is for you, what are the implications?

In what ways does this truth affect how you interpret your circumstances?

Jeremiah 29:11 For **I know the plans I have for you**, declares the Lord, **plans for welfare** and **not for evil**, to **give you a future and a hope**.

Genesis 37:3 Now Israel **loved Joseph more** than any other of his sons, because he was the son of his old age. And he made him a robe of many colors.

Genesis 37:4 But when his brothers **saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers**, they **hated him and could not speak peacefully to him**.

Genesis 37:18 They saw him from afar, and before he came near to them they **conspired against him to kill him**.

Genesis 37:23 So when Joseph came to his brothers, **they stripped him of his robe, the robe of many colors that he wore.**

Genesis 37:24 And **they took him and threw him into a pit.** The pit was empty; there was no water in it.

Genesis 37:25 **Then they sat down to eat.** And looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels bearing gum, balm, and myrrh, on their way to carry it down to Egypt.

Genesis 37:26 Then Judah said to his brothers, “What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood?”

Genesis 37:27 Come, **let us sell him** to the Ishmaelites, and let not our hand be upon him, for he is our brother, our own flesh.” And his brothers listened to him.

Genesis 37:28 Then Midianite traders passed by. And they drew Joseph up and lifted him out of the pit, and **sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty shekels of silver. They took Joseph to Egypt.**

Psalms 105:16 When He (God) summoned a famine on the land and broke all supply of bread,

Psalms 105:17 He (God) had sent a man ahead of them, Joseph, who was sold as a slave.

Psalms 105:18 His feet were hurt with fetters; his neck was put in a collar of iron;

Genesis 39:19 As soon as his master heard the words that his wife spoke to him, “This is the way your servant treated me,” **his anger was kindled.**

Genesis 39:20 And Joseph’s master took him and **put him into the prison,** the place where the king’s prisoners were confined, and he was there in prison.

Genesis 39:21 **But the Lord was with Joseph and showed him steadfast love and gave him favor** in the sight of the keeper of the prison.

Genesis 40:14 Only **remember me**, when it is well with you, and please do me the kindness to mention me to Pharaoh, and **so get me out of this house.**

Genesis 40:15 For I was indeed stolen out of the land of the Hebrews, and **here also I have done nothing that they should put me into the pit.”**

Genesis 40:23 Yet the chief cupbearer **did not remember Joseph, but forgot him.**

Genesis 41:46 **Joseph** was **thirty** years old when he entered the service of Pharaoh king of Egypt. And **Joseph** went out from the presence of Pharaoh and went through all the land of Egypt.

Genesis 50:20 As **for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good**, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today.

Romans 11:29 For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.

Psalms 27:1 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?

Psalms 23:1 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

Psalms 68:19 Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears us up; God is our salvation.

Ecclesiastes 7:14a **In the day of prosperity** be joyful, and **in the day of adversity** consider: God has made **the** one as well as **the** other...

Philippians 4:4 **Rejoice in the Lord always**; again I will say, rejoice.

Philippians 4:5 Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. **The Lord is at hand;**

Philippians 4:6 **do not be anxious about anything**, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

Philippians 4:7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Hebrews 12:26 At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens.”

Hebrews 12:27 This phrase, “Yet once more,” indicates the removal of things that are shaken—that is, things that have been made—in order that the things that cannot be shaken may remain.

Hebrews 12:28 Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe,

1Thessalonians 5:18 **give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.**

Colossians 1:11 May you be strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with **joy**,