

# God Is For Us

ROMANS 8:31-39

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God proved he is **FOR US**, (v. 31-32)

**he held nothing back** John 3:16; 1 John 4:9-10; Galatians 2:20; Romans 5:8

**he holds nothing back** 2 Peter 1:3; Ephesians 1:3; Philippians 4:19; Psalm 84:11

**SATISFIED** every charge against us, (v. 33-34)

↕ **the Father declares us clean** v. 33 2 Corinthians 5:21; Colossians 2:13-14; Isaiah 1:18; Psalm 103:12

**Christ pleads our case** v. 34 Hebrews 7:25; 1 John 2:1; Hebrews 9:24

↕ and **NOTHING** in creation can undo it. (v. 35-39)

**not death, not life** John 11:25-26; Philippians 1:21; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

**not now, not ever** John 10:28-29; Hebrews 13:5; Jude 24



## Study Guide

Questions & Scripture for Further Study

**What is this?** – Each week people from Wawasee Bible meet in small groups in various homes to learn about Jesus, pray, eat, laugh, & live life together. **We call them Life Groups.** The questions here are based on the sermon each week (often a related part of Scripture), and guide each group's study. If you're interested in connecting with a Life Group, let us know on a Connect Card or at the Connect Desk!

### Welcome to Life Group!

#### Getting to Know You

Part of our goal at Life Group is just learning more about each other. Toward that end, take some time to catch up with each other as you gather.

If it helps, here's a question to discuss and get you going. Have everyone answer:

*Think of someone in your life who was unconditionally, unquestionably in your corner. What made you so sure of it — and what did that kind of backing change for you?*

### Digging Deeper – A Bible Study

**Use this guide for further personal and group study this week.** For the most impact in your life and in your group, *work through it on your own before you gather with your Life Group.* If your Life Group isn't gathering this week, use this guide for further study personally.

1. **Read Romans 8:31-39.** Looking back at your notes from this week's message, was there anything you heard for the first time or anything that caught your attention, challenged or confused you?
2. Paul opens with one of the most disarming questions in all of Scripture: ***If God is for us, who can be against us?*** He isn't denying that opposition exists. He is making a claim about who ultimately wins. What does it actually mean, practically and personally, that God is for you? What changes if you really believe that?
3. **Read Romans 8:33-34.** These verses paint a courtroom scene. There is an accuser, there are real charges, and there is a verdict already rendered by the Judge himself. Many of us live as though the charges might still stick—quietly haunted by guilt, shame, or the fear that God's patience has a limit.
  - Where do you feel that most? What does the accuser's voice most often say?
  - How does the reality of **v. 33-34** speak into that?

**We are sent** to love people and invite them to follow Jesus with us.

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At Wawasee, each of us is growing to increasingly live out these four roles as we follow Jesus together.



**Secure Son/Daughter**

I live each day increasingly confident in being a loved child of God—resting in grace, not striving to achieve approval.



**Courageous Connector**

I cultivate honest relationships that cross barriers and create belonging—even before belief.



**Ready Storyteller**

I live each day with a sense of sentness, ready to reveal my story and God's story.



**Legacy Builder**

Because of Jesus, I multiply what has been given to me by spiritually investing in others for kingdom impact.

Word Find in the **Word**

Find the words from a passage related to this week's message.

**Word Find: Romans 8:35-39 (NLT)**

Find the words **bolded** below.

<sup>35</sup> Can **anything ever separate** us from **Christ's love**? Does it **mean** he no **longer loves** us if we have **trouble** or **calamity**, or are **persecuted**, or **hungry**, or **destitute**, or in **danger**, or **threatened** with **death**? <sup>36</sup> (As the **Scriptures** say, "For your **sake** we are **killed every** day; we are **being slaughtered like sheep**." ) <sup>37</sup> No, **despite** all these **things**, **overwhelming** victory is ours through **Christ**, who **loved** us. <sup>38</sup>

And I am **convinced** that **nothing** can **ever separate** us from God's **love**. **Neither death** nor life, **neither** angels nor demons, **neither** our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow—not even the **powers** of hell can **separate** us from God's **love**. <sup>39</sup> No **power** in the sky above or in the earth below—indeed, **nothing** in all creation will **ever be** able to **separate** us from the **love** of God that is revealed in **Christ** Jesus our Lord.

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- Read Hebrews 7:25 and 1 John 2:1.** What do these passages reveal about what Christ is doing for us *right now*—not just what he did on the cross?

  - What difference does it make to know you have an Advocate who never stops pleading your case?
- As **Secure Sons and Daughters**, we are learning to live from a received identity: resting in grace rather than striving to earn approval. Paul lists ten things in **v. 38-39** that might feel like threats to that security: death, life, the present, the future, powers, and more. His conclusion is absolute, none of them can separate you from God's love.

  - Which of those threats (or ones like them) feel most real in your life right now?
  - What would it look like, this week, to live as someone who actually believes the verdict is final and nothing can undo it?
- Read Psalm 44:20-22 and 2 Corinthians 4:8-10.** Suffering and faithfulness are not opposites in Scripture, in fact they often go together. The psalm Paul quotes in Romans 8:36 was written by people who hadn't walked away from God, yet were still suffering. Hard seasons are not a sign that something has gone wrong with your relationship with God.

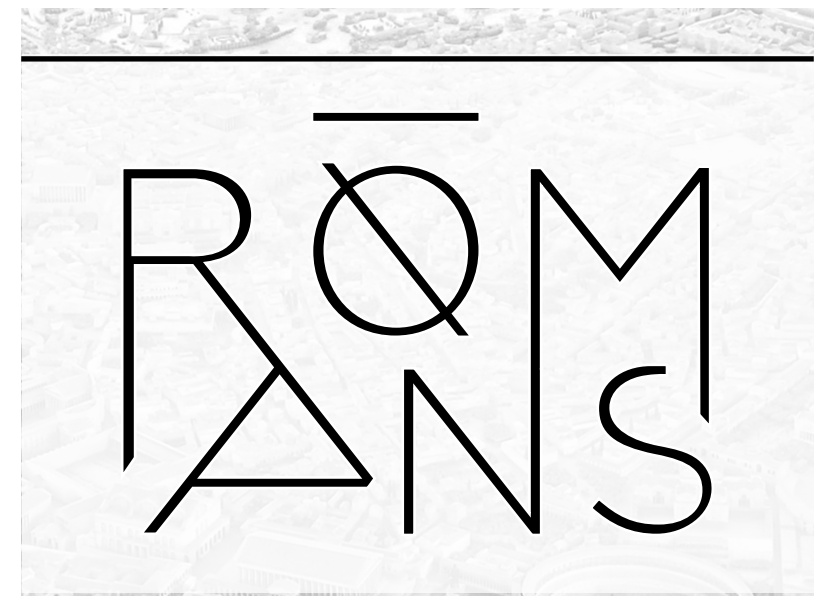
  - What do these passages say about the relationship between suffering and God's love?
  - How does **more than conquerors** (v. 37) reframe the way we think about hard seasons... not as evidence that God has stepped back, but as the very arena where his love is at work?
- The verdict is in. Every charge has been satisfied. Nothing in all of creation can undo it. God's love is sure and he is for you. Where do you most need to let that truth land for you this week? Share with your group, and take time to pray for each other specifically.

**Taking It Home**



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