

OUR ULTIMATE SECURITY – PART 2
ROMANS 8:31-39

INTRODUCTION:

We are looking at the concluding remarks on what Paul has written in this chapter. He is driving home his underlying theme of this whole chapter that our salvation is eternally secure. He is doing this with a series of questions and answers that will remove any fear of doubt that someone or something could cause a believer to lose or forfeit his or her salvation. He does this by showing that God's eternal love for us and Christ's eternal love for us is what eternally secures our salvation.

Last Sunday we looked at the first five questions and answers that focused on the love of God the Father for us that secures our salvation. This morning we will look at the last two questions and answer and the concluding words of Paul, this part focuses on the love of God the Son for us.

THE LOVE OF GOD THE SON (Romans 8:35-39)

I. QUESTIONS 6 AND 7 – WHAT CAN SEPARATE US (Romans 8:35-36)

- a. Paul had clearly established in the first five questions of this passage that _____, not any person can take away or cause us to forfeit our salvation.
- b. Paul writes, “*Who will _____ us from the love of Christ? Will tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? Just as it is written, ‘FOR YOUR SAKE WE ARE BEING PUT TO DEATH ALL DAY LONG; WE WERE CONSIDERED AS SHEEP TO BE SLAUGHTERED.’*” (Romans 8:35–36, NASB95)
- c. Again, it must be remembered that our salvation is not a product of our own _____ but is entirely the work of God in us by His grace. (1 John 4:19)
- d. Paul then asks in the seventh question if any of the circumstance that he lists can separate us from Christ's _____ for us.

- e. Paul understood these threatening circumstances from _____ from them personally. (2 Corinthians 11:23-27)
- f. Going back to Romans 8 Paul then quotes from Psalm 44:22, “*FOR YOUR SAKE WE ARE BEING PUT TO _____ ALL DAY LONG; WE WERE CONSIDERED AS SHEEP TO BE SLAUGHTERED.*” (Romans 8:36, NASB95) (Hebrews 11:36-38; 2 Timothy 3:12)
- g. If someone who claims to be a Christian then later turns his back on the things of God because life becomes too difficult or lives constantly in sin, this person proves that he never was _____, that he never belonged to Christ. (1 John 2:19)

II. THE ANSWER – WE ARE CONQUERORS IN CHRIST

(Romans 8:37)

- a. Only the true believer _____ and this only because he has the power of God's indwelling Spirit.
- b. This phrase “overwhelmingly _____” is a compound word in Greek that literally means to hyper-conquer or over-conquer. (2 Corinthians 4:17)

III. CONCLUSION – NOTHING CAN SEPARATE US (Romans

8:38-39)

- a. The concluding words of Paul in this chapter is a beautiful _____ of what he has just said.
- b. Paul wants to assure his readers that what he has taught them he himself is fully _____ that it is true.
- c. Paul then begins to list what he is convinced cannot _____ us from God's love for us in Christ.
- d. God _____ our salvation in eternity past and Christ's love shown through His substitutionary atonement for us _____ it in the present and all future time and throughout all eternity.

CONCLUSION:

Take great comfort in Paul's words, rest assured that your salvation is eternally secure in Christ's love. Do you ever have to fear losing or forfeiting your salvation? No, Paul has made it abundantly

clear in this chapter that what God has set in motion in eternity past when He chose you by His foreknowledge He will carry to completion in eternity future and that eternal security is assured because of the love of God the Father for us and the love of God the Son for us. Brothers and Sisters in Christ, you never need to doubt your eternal security, it is assured because it is secure in the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.