**“More Than Conquerors in Christ”**

Romans 8:28-39

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This passage of scripture is one of the most comforting in all of the Word of God. Leon Morris, in his commentary on Romans, entitled this section***, “The Christian’s Triumph Song.”***  I have referred to this chapter as “The Sandwich of God’s Grace”! It begins with “no condemnation to those that are in Christ;” it ends with “no separation for those in Christ,” and in the middle, we are encouraged that “all things work together for good to them that love God.”

**We are more than conquerors because:**

1. **God's eternal \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ cannot be thwarted. (Rom. 8:28-30)**  The security of the believer is anchored firmly in the Sovereign! It begins with, continues through, and is completed with God! God is like the master craftsman who is working on a masterpiece. Those things that He brings into our lives are to mold and shape us according to His purposes! God is able to take everything that comes into my life and work it according to His eternal purposes.

“I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel, so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to all the rest that my imprisonment is for Christ.”  (Phil. 1:12-13)

**“To those that are called according to his purpose.”**  Here is where most people stop quoting, but this is the crux of the issue. God is accomplishing His purpose. His purpose will not be thwarted and His purpose is good!

How do we comprehend the sovereignty of God? I do not truly believe that we can fully fathom His power or purposes!

1. **God's eternal \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is at work in Us. (Rom. 8:31)**  What an incredible statement! "If" is used rhetorically, and could be translated "since.” The power of the Almighty is with the believer! Does it really matter what enemies we face? God is on our side!

"Greater is He that is in you, than he that is in the world.” (I John 4:4)

“Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.” (Eph. 3:20-21)

1. **God's abundant \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is ours in Christ. (Rom. 8:32-34)** The Father declared us righteous; the Son died for us, rose, and lives to intercede. If God would give us His own Son, what would He ever withhold from us? "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.” (Psalm 23:1)

“His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.” (II Peter 1:3-4)

The Father has justified; the Son has died, risen from the dead, and is making intercession for us; and the Spirit lives within us. That is security!

**4. God's \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is inescapable and eternal. (Rom. 8:35-39)** Perhaps the most comforting fact of all is that God will never forsake us, nor will anything ever remove us from His presence. Paul covers just about everything we could ever imagine and declares, "nothing shall separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.”

**Death** - is to be with God… **Life** - He will never leave us….

**Things to come** - Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever. (Hebrews 13:8)

**Angels** - ministering spirits for us… **Height or depth** – (Psalm 139)

**Principalities and Power** - Jesus is Lord over all the spirit world…. **Any other creature** - He is the Creator!