

Romans 8:31,32

WHAT SHALL WE SAY TO THESE THINGS?

1. We are in a battle (in order to be a conqueror) against many forces.
1. There are many causes of the sufferings of this present time (18), internal groanings (23), and weaknesses (28).
 1. There are tribulations, i.e., stresses and pressures in life.
 2. God does not promise a life free from problems; in fact, He promises tribulation (Acts 14:22).
- But “God be for us.”
 1. “If” is used to strengthen the statement, to enforce it.
 2. This “God” is the One of every perfection.
- What is the evidence that God is for us? He “spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us.”
 1. The evidence of God being for us is found in a real, historical event.
 1. It is something which God Himself did: He gave, gave up (spared not), delivered up.
 2. God did not withhold His Son.
 - “Delivered Him up” is the language of bringing one to be judged, condemned, and punished.
 - “For us all” is on our behalf and in our place.
1. “Us” (“we” in verse 28) refers to Paul, the saints at Rome, and all those called according to His purpose.
2. “Us all” means that God’s Son was delivered for the elect as a whole and for each one in particular.
- The fruits which result.

1. With God for us, nothing can be against us.

1. But all that which is against us is nothing before Him Who is on our side: our God is for us!

2. On the contrary, each thing is used to work together for our good.

- “How shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?”

1. Paul reasons from the greater (God’s own Son) to the lesser (all things).

2. More than a comparison: God further gives all things with the gift of His Son.

3. “Freely” is graciously given.

- We are triumphant - more than conquerors - over every force and foe.