

#6 More Than Conquerors

Romans 8:31-39 (ESV)

Romans 8:31 What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² 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? ³³ Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ 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. ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." ³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

- God did not spare Jesus. God did a **VERY HARD** thing. (v. 32)
- Four things Jesus did or is doing (v. 34):
 - 1. Jesus **<u>DIED</u>** (Mark 10:45)
 - 2. Jesus was **RAISED**
 - 3. Jesus is seated at the right hand of God (Psalm 110:1)
 - 4. Jesus is our **INTERCESSOR**
- Jesus has **OVERCOME** the world (v. 35-36, John 16:33)
- We are **MORE THAN** conquerors! (v. 37)

1. WAKE UP!

Romans 13:11-12 (NIV) And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. ¹² The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light.

• We are in a WAR!

Ephesians 6:12 (ESV) For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

<u>Matthew 16:18 (ESV)</u> And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

2. Tap Into The **POWER SOURCE**

Hebrews 12:1-2 (NIV) Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

- Am I honoring God with my **TIME**?
- Am I honoring God with my <u>TALENTS</u>?
- Am I honoring God with my **TREASURE**?
- 3. Embrace The **GOSPEL**
 - This <u>CHURCH</u> has a God-given mission
 - I have a customized <u>PERSONAL</u> mission