

“THE TRIUMPH OF FAITH BY CHRIST’S INTERCESSION”

Romans 8:31-39

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I. “Who is to condemn?” (v. 34)

“more than that, who was raised”

<p>1:4 Declared to be the Son of God in power by His resurrection</p> <p>4:24-25 Raised from the dead for our justification (pardon & imputation of righteousness)</p> <p>6:4 Baptized into his resurrection so we can walk in newness of life.</p> <p>6:5-11 United with Christ in His life so we are alive to God</p> <p>7:4-6 Raised that we may belong to Him and bear fruit for God.</p>

“who is at the right hand of God”

“who indeed is interceding for us”

**There is no condemnation because Jesus lives to _____
for His people.**

Psalms 110

Romans 8:30

Hebrews 1:3; 7:25

“By reason of intercession God remembers not old sins, so likewise he is not provoked by new. ... so long as sin continues, there is need of continuing intercession.”

-Thomas Goodwin

“He appears continually, as one who died and rose again, and as his death and resurrection stand in the place of eternal intercession, and have the efficacy of a powerful prayer for reconciling and rendering the Father propitious to us, he is justly said to intercede for us.”

-John Calvin

II. **“Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?”** (vv. 35-39)

“Separate”

“We are more than conquerors through him who loved us”

“neither life nor death, angels nor rulers”

“able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Nothing can separate us from God’s love because Jesus lives to

_____.

Deuteronomy 7:7-8

Psalms 44:22

Hebrews 11:35-38

“God loves us simply because of his choice, not because of anything in us (which may change), nor anything around us (which may change). He loves us because he loves us.”

-Tim Keller

“Our confidence is not in our love for him, which is frail, fickle and faltering, but in his love for us, which is steadfast, faithful and persevering.”

-John Stott

Digging Deeper:

1. How are Christ’s death, resurrection & intercession related to one another?
2. When your heart condemns you, what do you do? What should you do?
3. What kinds of trials lead you to think that God is against you or forgotten you?
4. How does God sustain us in difficult times?
5. How can you grow in your awareness of God’s love for you in Christ?