

**Hidden Hills Sovereign Grace Baptist Church**  
**Wednesday Sermon**

**Date: March 3, 2021**

**Text: Romans 8:31-39**

**Scripture Reading: Romans 8:31-39**

**Subject: What shall we then say to these things? Six questions.**

In verses 26 through 30 of this eighth chapter, we studied these things:

1. How the Holy Spirit helps our infirmities by making intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered according to the will of God.
2. That all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.
3. That God did foreknow us, did predestinate us to be conformed to the image of his Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.
4. That those whom God foreknew and predestinated, he also called by the gospel of grace; and whom he called he also justified – declared righteous; and whom he justified, he also did glorify!

Now, we come to verses 31 through 39 of this 8<sup>th</sup> chapter of Romans.

**Romans 8:31 (KJV) *What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?***

***What shall we then say to these things?*** – The fact that being led by the Spirit of God, we are the children of God – and if children, then heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ? ***What shall we then say*** to the sufferings of this present time? ***What shall we then say*** to our hope that we shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption with all of creation into the glorious liberty of the

children of God? ***What shall we then say*** to the fact that the Spirit himself helps our infirmities because we know not what we should pray for as we ought – but the Spirit makes intercession for us according to the will of God – and we know that we have the petitions that are according to God’s will. Or what shall we say to the fact that **all things** work together for our good – to us who love God and who are the called according to His purpose? Or what shall we say to the blessed fact that God did foreknow us; that being foreknown, He predestinated us to be conformed (moulded, fashioned completely after his image) to the image of His son; also, being foreknown and predestinated, he also called us through the preaching of the gospel; and, Praise His name, having been called by the gospel, he also justified us. He declared that we are just. Moreover, being justified, he also glorified us! Glorified! Exalted to heaven to be seated with Christ who is our life and when He shall appear we too shall appear with him in glory.

***If God be for us, who can be against us?*** – If God be for us? What a statement! Is not God or us who loves us with an everlasting love? Is not God for us who knew us before the world was and wrote our names in the Lamb’s book of life? Is not God for us who sent his only begotten Son to die for us thereby saving us from our sins? God who declared us righteous! We have been to his court and the judge of all the earth has declared us righteous! Therefore, WHO (I ask you to tell who) IS ABLE to be against us? Notice the pronoun, US! We with the church of God which was at Rome and all the saints in all the churches of Christ since our Lord instituted the church shall join with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and shall come from the north, east, south, and west to sit down in the kingdom with them! Glory to God! What assurance! What peace! What joy! What an everlasting consolation! No wonder the

scripture says that our light affliction pales to nothing in light of what God has prepared for those who love him!

**Romans 8:32 (KJV) *He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?***

***He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all,*** -- Our God who spared not his ONLY BEGOTTEN son whom he loves! O, beloved, our God gave him to die for OUR SINS! To bear in his body our sins in the cruel tree! Gave him up to bear cruel betrayal by one very near to him; to bear false accusations and maltreatment by cruel religious men who knew not God; To hang in shame and nakedness on a cruel Roman cross as our loving substitute. O, beloved, our Father gave up his son for us all! Surely he hath borne **our** griefs, and carried **our** sorrows: he was wounded for **our** transgressions, he was bruised for **our** iniquities: the chastisement of **our** peace was upon him: and with his stripes **we** are healed. All **we** like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD (Jehovah) hath laid on him (his beloved son) the iniquity of **us** all. O, brothers and sisters, it pleased the father to bruise him – to make his soul an offering for sin. The father saw the travail of soul and was satisfied.

“Amazing love, how can it be,

That thou, my God, hath died for me?”

***How shall he not with him freely give us all things?*** – Beloved, already ALL THINGS are ours, but eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither hath it entered into the heart of man, the things which God has prepared for them that love him.

**1 Corinthians 3:21-23 (KJV)** Therefore let no man glory in men. For all things are yours; **22** Whether Paul, or Apollos, or

Cephas, or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things to come; all are yours; **23** And ye are Christ's; and Christ *is* God's.

**1 Corinthians 2:9-10 (KJV)** *But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. 10 But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.*

*How shall he not?* Can it be imagined that our God should do the greater and not do the less? that he should give so great a gift for us when we were enemies, and should deny us any good thing, now that through him we are friends and children? Because of this we may by faith put away our fears of want or need. He that hath prepared a crown and kingdom for us will be sure to give us enough to care for our need on the way to it. He that hath designed us for the inheritance of sons when we come to age will not let us lack that which is necessary for us while we patiently wait for the inheritance.

**Romans 8:33 (KJV)** *Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth.*

***Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect?*** – The elect of God are a certain select number of persons, whom he has so loved, because of his sovereign good will and pleasure. These elect – you and I who now believe, God chose in Christ before the foundation of the world, unto eternal life and salvation. Our God has chosen us from the beginning to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth and called us by

His gospel to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Consequently all of us so chosen are peculiarly his.

But are these persons chargeable with nothing criminal? O Yes, with Adam's sin; with a definite lack of original righteousness; with multitudes of sins before we were converted, some of us with very great ones. And every one of us, even after conversion, with frequent infirmities and falls into sin. Yes, even now, we, the elect, very often bring charges against ourselves. We are very apt to charge one another. Satan, the accuser of the brethren, lays many things to us very frequently, and so do the men of the world. Yet, Satan's works have been destroyed at the cross especially death, yet the devil still goes about as a roaring seeking whom he may devour. Praise God there shall be a time when his accusing shall end – it is already as good as done.

**Revelation 12:7-11 (KJV)** *And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, **8** And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. **9** And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. **10** And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. **11** And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.*

Thanks be to God that those saints in that day who shall, as we already have, overcome Satan by the blood of the lamb and by the word of their testimony. All this is a resolve given those martyrs

for the name of Jesus not seen before conversion in that they loved not their lives unto the death.

But all these charges by Satan and the persons of the world avail nothing, since neither the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, lay anything against the elect of God. Think of it, beloved!

***It is God that justifieth.*** –It is our God against whom sin is committed. He is our lawgiver and the righteous judge – who has justified you and I who have believed in Jesus Christ from every charge. He did that by pronouncing us righteous through the imputation of the righteousness of his Son unto us.

**Romans 8:34 (KJV) *Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.***

***Who is he that condemneth?*** – Who shall pass sentence of condemnation and send us to perdition? The office of passing sentence of condemnation on men belongs to Jesus Christ, who is the judge of the quick and the dead.

**John 5:22 (KJV) *For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son:***

**2 Timothy 4:1 (KJV) *I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;***

***It is Christ that died,*** -- That Jesus Christ died is certain; the death he died was the death of the cross; the persons he died for were God's elect; the reason of his dying for them was to make reconciliation for their sins. This came to pass through his substitution in their stead. He died but once yet his death is

eternal efficient for all of his chosen ones – he has secured us from condemnation. Sin, which is the cause of our condemnation, was removed by His once-for-all sacrifice. Indeed, He has promised that he will remember our sins and iniquities no more!

**yea rather, that is risen again,** -- O, yes, brethren, Jesus died, but it was not possible that death could hold him. He was delivered for our offences and raised again for our justification. His dead body was in the grave three days and three nights, then, when the three days and three nights were completed, our Lord left that grave alive forever more. That he was resurrected from the dead in a spiritual glorified body of flesh and bones, we know from hundreds of witnesses who saw him alive after his death and burial.

**1 Corinthians 15:3-8 (KJV)** *For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; 4 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures: 5 And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve: 6 After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep. 7 After that, he was seen of James; then of all the apostles. 8 And last of all he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time.*

**Acts 10:40-41 (KJV)** *Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly; 41 Not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God, even to us, who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead.*

**Acts 1:1-3 (KJV)** *The former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, 2 Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles*

*whom he had chosen: **3 To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:***

**Acts 1:8-9 (KJV)** *But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. **9** And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.*

**Who is even at the right hand of God,** -- As the disciples watched our Lord being taken up and a cloud received him out of their sight, we know that he went to heaven to sit down at the right hand of God – where He still is to this very hour.

**Mark 16:19 (KJV)** *So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.*

**Who also maketh intercession for us.** – What is he doing while seated at the right hand of God? He is making intercession for us – his elect.

**Hebrews 7:24-25 (KJV)** *But this man (Jesus Christ, our high priest), because he continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood. **25** Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.*

Jesus Christ, our great high priest after the order of Melchisedec is seated at the right hand of God – there, he comes between us and God; there he intervenes between us and God. There he pleads and mediates on our behalf.



**Romans 8:35-36 (KJV) *Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? 36 (KJV) As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.***

**Romans 8:37 (KJV) *Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.***

Look at this! Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? None of these circumstances, but brethren notice, NAY! NAY! **In** all these things we are **more than conquerors** through him that loved us.

**Romans 8:38-39 (KJV) *For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, 39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.***

Romans 8 begins with NO CONDEMNATION and ends with NO SEPARATION! Hallelujah! Praise the name of Jesus! To him be honor, glory, power, and dominion forever and ever!

In this last section of Romans 8, we have considered six questions?

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