"In the Grip of Grace"

Amazed by Grace • part 38

Introduction

- fertilized spiritual fear
- message of 8:28...
- message of 8:29-30...

1. Certainty of God's care for His children

- "these things"
- a fulfilled condition... who could possibly bring ultimate defeat?

2. Proofs of the extent of God's care

a. relational

- + greater to the lesser Lk. 5:20-25
- + unique relationship between the Father & Son Jn. 5:18
- + what the Father refused to do to the Son Isa. 53:10

"Who delivered up Jesus to die? Not Judas, for money; not Pilate, for fear; not the Jews, for envy...but the Father, for love."

- Octavius Winslow



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- + recipients of this relationship: "for us all" Rom. 1:6; 8:28, 29-30, 33, 34
- + when the Father gave us "all things"

b. legal

- + sin ultimately is against God; God has the right to justify
- + Christ's work for His own
 - 1)
 - 2)
 - 3)
 - 4)

Ps. 50:8-9

"If I could hear Christ praying for me in the next room, I would not fear a million enemies. Yet distance makes no difference. He is praying for me."

— Robert Murray M'Cheyne

c. circumstantial

- + expanse of circumstances
- + not victims, but victors: "super-conquerors"

Conclusion

"It is impossible that any ill should happen to the man who is beloved of the Lord; the most crushing calamities can only shorten his journey and hasten him to his reward. Ill to him is no ill, but only good in a mysterious form. Losses enrich him, sickness is his medicine, reproach is his honour, death is his gain. No evil in the strict sense of the word can happen to him, for everything is overruled for good. Happy is he who is in such a case. He is secure where others are in peril, he lives where others die."

- Charles Spurgeon