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DAILY DEVOTION

OUR CONFIDENCE IN CHRIST

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Romans 8:31 (NLT)

“What shall we say about such wonderful things as these? If God is for us, who can ever be against us?”

Nothing creates greater confidence in our lives than knowing that God is for us! When we are secure in Christ, knowing who He is and who we are in Him, we are free to be all God wants us to be and do all God has called us to do. This is the message of Romans 8.

It reads like a legal document for the Christ follower. It begins in verse one with the declaration that “there is NOW NO CONDMENATION for those who are in Christ Jesus!” Verse two tells us why – “because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death.”

The law can no longer condemn us because we share the righteousness of Jesus Christ by faith in Him. But that’s not all, because of the gift of the indwelling Holy Spirit we are no longer captive of sin’s power. We are set free to live for God! And because of God’s unfailing love, we can never be separated from Him! This is the confidence we have in Christ!

What does this mean for us today? It means we no longer need to fear our past failures, our present problems, or the uncertainties about our future. We are secure in Christ! “If God is for us, who can be against us?” Romans 8:31 (NIV)

In this chapter we see that the entire Godhead, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is for us.

ave no need to fear the past, present, or future! Even when I must go
through the trials of life, I can rest in the assurance that God is for me

Verse 32 tells us that God the Father is for us and proved it by giving us His Son. "God didn't spare His own Son but handed Him over {to death} for all of us. So He will also give us everything along with Him." (GW)

Verse 34 tell us that God the Son is for us because He died and rose again and now prays for us at the right hand of God the Father! "Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us." (NIV)

Verse 26 tells us that God the Holy Spirit is for us coming to our aid when we are weak and confused. "And in the same way ... the Holy Spirit helps us with our daily problems and in our praying. For we don't even know what we should pray for nor how to pray as we should, but the Holy Spirit prays for us with such feeling that it cannot be expressed in words." (TLB)

Prayer: God is for me!! h