## A Declaration of Security

Romans 8:31-39

April 11, 2021

#### I. We Are Secure by the Labor of Christ (v. 31-33)

- A. We are secure because of God's interest in us (v. 31)
  - 1. The fact that he loved us before the creation (Eph 1:4)
  - 2. His bringing us to Himself declares His interest in those that will believe
- B. We are secure because of God's investment in us (v. 32a)
  - 1. God is invested because of the sacrifice made (Romans 5:8)
  - 2. God judged Christ in our place (2 Cor 5:21)
  - 3. God intimated the great exchange at the cross
- C. We are secure due to God's intentions for His elect (v. 32b)
  - 1. His intention is that we spend eternity in His presence (John 17:24)
  - 2. His intention is that we have a destination in heaven (1 Peter 1:5)
- D. We are secure because salvation is solely a work of God (v. 33)
  - 1. Our security does not rest in our decision
  - 2. Our security does not rest in a ritual of the church
  - 3. Our security rests on our being justified by God alone

### II. We are Secure by the Life of Christ (v. 34)

- A. We are secure due to the price paid on the cross
  - 1. Our sin was judged at the cross
  - 2. No one has the right to condemn us because we have been declared not guilty due to the work of Christ
  - 3. Our security was purchased in the blood of Christ and not our merit
- B. We are secure due to the power displayed at the tomb
  - 1. Death was defeated
  - 2. Hell is judged
- C. We are secure because of His exalted position
  - 1. He is now given all authority
  - 2. He is back in His reincarnate position (Phil 2:5-11)
- D. We are secure because of His continual intersession
  - 1. He is our advocate against our enemy, Satan
  - 2. He is our advocate against our self-condemnation (Hebrews 4:14-16)

#### III. We are Secure by the Love of Christ (v. 35-39)

- A. His love is an enduring love (v. 35-36)
  - 1. It endures through adversity that is common to all mankind
  - 2. It endures through our being confined by life's circumstances
  - 3. It endures through suffering inflicted by men because of our Commitment to Christ
  - 4. It endures through times of lacking things vital to physical living
  - 5. It endures through times of destitution
  - 6. It endures during times of grave danger
  - 7. It endures even in the face of impending death
- B. His love is an enabling love (v. 37)
  - 1. It enables us to persevere in the midst of living in this fallen world
  - 2. It enables us to persevere until we are called out of this life
- C. His love is everlasting (v. 38-39)
  - 1. No circumstance can separate us from the Lord
  - 2. No circumstance can sever the love that God has for those that believe
  - 3. Our security is always dependent on God's love for us

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