



WHEN LIFE IS TOUGH

Reasons for Confidence No Matter What

Part 6 - Romans 8:31-34

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1. When _____ (v.31)

31 What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

32 He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?

33 Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies.

2. When _____ (v.32)

34 Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. (ESV)

3. When _____ (vv.33-34)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. What are some things which tempt you to worry, fear and be anxious?

Read **Philippians 4:4-7**. What does a fearful or anxious life say about our relationship with God?

2. Read **Luke 12:4-5**. How should having the question of heaven and hell settled change our disposition regarding the temporal threats and problems we face?
3. Are you sure about your relationship with God? How can individuals be confident that the work of Christ has been unquestionably applied to their lives, securing their eternal destiny?
4. Read **1 John 3:18-20**. How does a "changing life" and God's omniscience (including his intimate knowledge of the transaction that took place on the cross) assure you whenever your "heart condemns" you?
5. How can you practically reinforce your confidence in eternal certainties when you face the "uncertain" and varied problems in this life?

The Compass "Bible Reading" Schedule for this Week:

Go to ESV.org (Reading Plans: Through the Bible) for schedule prompts.

June 20th

Neh.12-13 & Ac.4:23-37

June 21st

Esth.1-3 & Ac.5:1-16

June 22nd

Esth.4-6 & Ac.5:17-42

June 23rd

Esth.7-10 & Ac.6

June 24th

Job 1-3 & Ac.7:1-19

June 25th

Job 4-6 & Ac.7:20-43

June 26th

Job 7-9 & Ac.7:44-60

June 27th

Job 10-12 & Ac.8:1-25

For sermons on MP3 go to FPR.info. The following are other available sermons related to today's subject matter.

- CD # 0721 – **Trusting God When Your Back's Against the Wall**
- CD # 0924 – **Faith, Stress & Money: Rethinking Biblical Faith in a Down Economy**
- CD # 9526 – **Help for Scatterbrains: God's Solution for the Anxiety Ridden**
- CD # 0901 – **Spiritually Prepared: For the Big Earthquake or Other "Seismic" Event**
- CD # 0007 – **How to Be Godly in the Worst of Times**
- CD # 9721 – **An Upside Down World: Trusting God When Right Doesn't Seem Right**

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon.

- Fitzpatrick, Elyse. **Overcoming Fear, Worry & Anxiety**. Harvest House, 2001.
- Hefley, James and Marti. **By Their Blood: Christian Martyrs of the 20th Century**. Baker Books, 1996.
- Hutchinson, John. **Thinking Right When Things Go Wrong: Biblical Wisdom for Surviving Tough Times**. Kregel, 2005.
- Lloyd-Jones, Martyn. **A Life of Joy and Peace: An Exposition of Philippians**. Baker Books, 1995.
- MacArthur, John. **Anxious for Nothing: God Cares for the Cares of Your Soul**. Victor Books, 2006.
- MacArthur, John. **Truth War: Fighting for Certainty in an Age of Deception**. Thomas Nelson, 2008.
- McKeehan, Toby and Mark Heimermann. **Jesus Freaks: Stories of Those Who Stood for Jesus**. Albury Publishing, 1999.
- St. James, Rebecca. **Sister Freaks: Stories of Women Who Gave Up Everything for God**. FaithWords, 2005.
- Water, Mark, ed. **The New Encyclopedia of Christian Martyrs**. Baker Books, 2001.
- Watson, Thomas. **The Art of Divine Contentment**. Soli Deo Gloria Publications, 1653 (reprint, 1998).
- Welch, Edward. **Running Scared: Fear, Worry and the God of Rest**. New Growth Press, 2007.
- Wells, David F. **Courage to Be Protestant: Truth-Lovers, Marketers & Emergents**. Eerdmans, 2009.