

The Truth That Transforms: The Book Of Romans
“The Truth About Our Victory” Romans 8:31-39
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Big Idea: If we want real life change, we must allow God’s Word to transform us.

The Truth About Our Victory:

1. God Is For Us

“What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all--how will He not also, along with Him, graciously give us **all things? Who will bring any **charge** against those whom God has chosen? It is God who **justifies**.” Romans 8:31-33 (NIV)**

In response to:

✓ **Our Sins Are Forgiven And Our Eternity Is Secure**

“Therefore, there is now **no condemnation** for those who are in Christ Jesus, because **through** Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death.”
Romans 8:1-2 (NIV)

✓ **The Holy Spirit Brings Peace To Our Minds**

“The mind of sinful man is death, but the mind controlled by the Spirit is **life and peace**.”
Romans 8:6 (NIV)

✓ **Our Future Victory Is Greater Than Our Present Pain**

“I consider that our present sufferings are not worth **comparing** with the glory that will be revealed in us.” **Romans 8:18 (NIV)**

✓ **God’s Spirit Helps Us In Our Weakness**

“In the same way, the Spirit **helps** us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself **intercedes** for us with groans that words cannot express.”
Romans 8:26 (NIV)

✓ **God Is Working Everything In Our Lives For Our Good**

“And we know that in **all things** God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose.” **Romans 8:28 (NIV)**

✓ **God Will Transform Us To Be Like Christ**

“For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.” **Romans 8:29 (NIV)**

Notes: _____

2. Jesus Is At The Right Hand Of God Praying For Me

“Who is he that condemns? 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.” **Romans 8:34 (NIV)**

“My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have one who speaks to the Father in our defense--Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.” **1 John 2:1-2 (NIV)**

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3. Nothing Can Separate Me From The Love Of God

“For I am **convinced** that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.” **Romans 8:38-39 (NIV)**

“**By faith** the prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient. And what more shall I say? I do not have time to tell about Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, David, Samuel and the prophets, who through **faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, and gained what was promised; who shut the mouths of lions, quenched the fury of the flames, and escaped the edge of the sword; whose weakness was turned to strength; and who became powerful in battle and routed foreign armies. Women received back their dead, raised to life again. Others were tortured and refused to be released, so that they might gain a better resurrection. Some faced jeers and flogging, while still others were chained and put in prison. They were stoned; they were sawed in two; they were put to death by the sword. They went about in sheepskins and goatskins, destitute, persecuted and mistreated-- THE WORLD WAS NOT WORTHY OF THEM.** They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. These were all commended for their **faith**, yet none of them received what had been promised. **God had planned something better** for us so that **only together** with us would they be made perfect.” **Hebrews 11:31-40 (NIV)**

“Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to the king, "O Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to **defend** ourselves before you in this matter. If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve **is able** to save us from it, and **He will rescue us** from your hand, O king. But **even if he does not**, we want you to know, O king, that **we will not serve** your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up." **Daniel 3:16-18 (NIV)**

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- **Is your faith in the character of God or the outcome of your circumstances?**

My next right step, I will stand in my faith by:

[] Journaling my personal application in my devotions.

[] Choosing a portion of Romans 8 to memorize.

[] Volunteering to serve: [] Children's Ministry [] Café [] First Impressions

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Icebreaker for families: How are you doing in the school of hard knocks right now?

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1. God Is For Us

Read Romans 8:31-33

What does this verse teach us about God’s commitment to love us?

Review how God has proven He is for us:

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Read 1 John 2:1-2

How does Jesus defend us? What does this mean for you?

3. Nothing Can Separate Me From The Love Of God

What things in this list are more threatening to you?

What does this teach you about God's love for you?

How confident are you that God loves you? Why?

Read Hebrews 11:31-40

The writer of Hebrews describes people who had faith that experienced great miraculous intervention and also people who have faith who experienced terrible pain, loss, and death.

How would our culture describe the two groups?

How does the Bible describe these two groups of people?

Read Daniel 3:16-18

How does Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego's response show their faith is in God and not their circumstance?

Close in prayer:
