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The Confidence in Christ

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Romans 8:29-39 ²⁹For those God foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brothers. ³⁰And those He predestined, He also called; those He called, He also justified; those He justified, He also glorified. ³¹What then shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³²He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He not also, along with Him, freely give us all things? ³³Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴Who is there to condemn us? For Christ Jesus, who died, and more than that was raised to life, is at the right hand of God—and He is interceding for us. ³⁵Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? ³⁶As it is written: "For Your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered." ³⁷No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. ³⁸For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor principalities, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, ³⁹neither 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. (BSB)

I. What can we learn from this passage?

- A. God is not **bound** by time and space like we are. V. 29
- B. Since God is on our side and above time and space, we have an **ally** we can depend on. V. 31
- C. God's love for us doesn't just extend to our salvation but also to our **glorification**. V. 32
- D. We do not have **charges** that can be made against us because of Christ's sacrifice and intercession for us. V. 33-34
- E. We are **conquerors** because of the love that Christ has for us. V. 35-37
- F. **Nothing** in all creation can separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord! V. 38-39

II. What can we learn from this?

- A. We must **expand** who we think our God is. Many have Him too small.
- B. We should have a clear **assurance** of our salvation.
- C. We should be **resting** in our glorious hope that we have in Christ.
- D. We must live **free** of guilt and shame. We have no accusers!
- E. The love of God is our reason for **confidence**.