

Life Group Leaders' Questions – Romans 8:28-39

God is Really For Us. Sunday September 13, 2020 (online church)

Discussion Starter: What would it take for you to believe that God is really for you, right now in your life?

Digging Deeper into the Word

The case can be made that Romans 8:28-39 are the most significant words ever written. In them, Paul's soul responds to God's grace given to us in Jesus, and the security we have in his love. In them, Paul calls for a response (v31). So then, in this study, think about how you should respond to God.

1. The key verse is Romans 8:31. Why is "God is for us" a great summary of Romans so far?
2. One way that we live in the joy of God being for us is through a deep belief that God is working all things for good in our lives. Make observations of, and give a personal response to, Romans 8:28-30.
3. A second way we live in the joy of God being for us is through a constant rehearsal of God's love for us. Make observations of, and give a personal response to, Romans 8:32-39.

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4. Is there a way in which you are seeking to change your circumstances, where instead you need to seek to change your heart attitude towards them?
5. How do you need the truth – that God is for you and you cannot be separated from his love – to comfort you today?
6. "If God is for me...", so what? A number of Hope people gave a response in the Sunday service, what is your big takeaway response to this study?

Consider how practical Paul is being. He is saying: *Friend, have you been called? Have you found the gospel coming home to your soul with power? Have you asked God to justify you? Fine! Now realize this—that would not and could not have happened unless the great God of heaven had set his love upon you in the depths of eternity before time, and is now infallibly working out his plan to live with you forever in his family.* (Tim Keller, Romans 8-16 For You)