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| [The New International Version](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011) | [The New Revised Standard Version](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv) | 中文和合本 |
| [Ro 8:1](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.1) Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, | [Ro 8:1](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.1) °‍There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus°‍. | 【罗8:1】如今那些在基督耶稣里的，就不定罪了。 |
| [2](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.2) because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. | [2](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.2) °‍For the law of the Spirit °‍of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. | 【罗8:2】因为赐生命圣灵的律在基督耶稣里释放了我，使我脱离罪和死的律了。 |
| [3](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.3) For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, | [3](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.3) For God has done what the law°‍, weakened by the flesh, °‍could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to °‍deal with sin°‍, he condemned sin in the flesh, | 【罗8:3】律法既因肉体软弱，有所不能行的，　神就差遣自己的儿子成为罪身的形状，作了赎罪祭，在肉体中定了罪案， |
| [4](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.4) in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. | [4](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.4) °‍so that the °‍just requirement of the law might be °‍fulfilled in us, who °‍walk not °‍according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. | 【罗8:4】使律法的义成就在我们这不随从肉体，只随从圣灵的人身上。 |

**Christ’s Death as the Basis for Deliverance VV1-4**

* “Therefore” probably refers back to Romans 7:6:
* 【罗7:6】但 我 們 既 然 在 捆 我 們 的 律 法 上 死 了 、 現 今 就 脫 離 了 律 法 ． 叫 我 們 服 事 主 、 要 按 著 心 靈

〔 心 靈 或 作 聖 靈 〕的 新 樣 、 不 按 著 儀 文 的 舊 樣 。

【罗7:24】我 真 是 苦 阿 、 誰 能 救 我 脫 離 這 取 死 的 身 體 呢 。

【罗7:25】感 謝 　 神 、 靠 著 我 們 的 主 耶 穌 基 督 就 能 脫 離 了 。 這 樣 看 來 、 我 以 內 心 順 服 　 神 的 律 我 肉 體 卻 順 服 罪 的 律 了 。

* Refers to those who died with Christ Jesus and will be raised with him.
* Believers are no longer under condemnation, because they have died with Christ and thus the condemnation has been removed by the second Adam.
* “No Condemnation” a forensic term denoting removal of the curse. Also believers are no longer under the dominion of sin.
* “No condemnation” to those in Christ Jesus:
	+ Because believers have been freed from the power of sin, so that they are now able to fulfill the law. (Mosaic law through power of Spirit has liberated those in Christ Jesus, from the law’s alliance with the power of sin and death).
	+ Even though the law was unable to produce righteousness because unregenerate human being do not have the power to keep the law.
	+ But God condemned sin in the flesh of Christ, by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh as a sin offering.
	+ For God’s purpose: that the ordinance of the law might be fulfilled in those who walk according to the Spirit, not according to the flesh.
	+ Law with flesh vs. Law with Holy Spirit. God succeeded where the law failed.
* **Summary:** the work of Christ and the Spirit (different role) enables believers to be removed from the curse, the guilty status, and now able to keep the law.
* **Reflection:** As Christ on the cross freed believers from both the penalty and the power of sin, have we been experiencing the full power of redeeming grace?

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| [5](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.5) Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. | [5](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.5) °‍For those who live according to the flesh °‍set their minds °‍on °‍the things of the flesh°‍, but those who live °‍according to the Spirit °‍set their minds °‍on °‍the things of the Spirit°‍. | 【罗8:5】因为随从肉体的人体贴肉体的事；随从圣灵的人体贴圣灵的事。 |
| [6](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.6) The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. | [6](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.6) °‍To set the mind °‍on the flesh is death, but to set the mind °‍on the Spirit is life and peace. | 【罗8:6】体贴肉体的就是死，体贴圣灵的乃是生命平安。 |
| [7](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.7) The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God’s law, nor can it do so. | [7](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.7) °‍For this reason the mind °‍that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God’s law—indeed it cannot,°‍ | 【罗8:7】原来体贴肉体的，就是与　神为仇，因为不服　神的律法，也是不能服。 |
| [8](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.8) Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God. | [8](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.8) °‍and those who are in the °‍flesh cannot please God. | 【罗8:8】而且属肉体的人不能得　神的喜欢。 |
| [9](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.9) You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. | [9](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.9) °‍But you are not in °‍the flesh°‍; you are in the °‍Spirit, °‍since the Spirit of God °‍dwells in you. °‍Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ °‍does not belong to °‍him. | 【罗8:9】如果　神的灵住在你们心里，你们就不属肉体，乃属圣灵了。人若没有基督的灵，就不是属基督的。 |
| [10](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.10) But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness. | [10](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.10) But if Christ is in you, °‍though °‍the body is °‍dead because of sin, the Spirit °‍is life because of righteousness. | 【罗8:10】基督若在你们心里，身体就因罪而死，心灵却因义而活。 |
| [11](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.11) And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you. | [11](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.11) °‍If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead °‍dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will °‍give life to your mortal bodies °‍also through his Spirit °‍that dwells in you. | 【罗8:11】然而叫耶稣从死里复活者的灵，若住在你们心里，那叫基督耶稣从死里复活的，也必藉着住在你们心里的圣灵，使你们必死的身体又活过来。 |

**Contrast between the flesh and the Spirit VV5-11**

* Need to read VV5-8 as a unit, painting a picture of contrasting people in the flesh and people in the Spirit (Holy Spirit rather than Holy Spirit).
* “those of flesh” are hardly believers.
* Christians now with different mindset/path, different destinations, different status in front of God, and power to keep the law and to please God.
* Paul attacks those who views the law as the means of righteous, as they are “are of the flesh”. V8
* Being “In the Spirit” vs. “in the flesh”. Holy Spirit is the main enabler in this chapter. “in the Spirit” is a fulfilled condition.
* Sin is no longer the master over believers, though not nonexistent as evident by the deteriorating physical body of believers.
* **Summary:** Believers can keep the law because they are constituted by the Spirit rather than the flesh.

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| [12](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.12) Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation—but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it. | [12](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.12) °‍So then, brothers and sisters, we °‍are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to °‍the flesh— | 【罗8:12】弟兄们，这样看来，我们并不是欠肉体的债，去顺从肉体活着。 |
| [13](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.13) For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live. | [13](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.13) °‍for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the °‍deeds of the body, you will live. | 【罗8:13】你们若顺从肉体活着，必要死；若靠着圣灵治死身体的恶行，必要活着。 |
| [14](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.14) For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. | [14](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.14) For °‍all who are led by the Spirit of God are °‍children of God. | 【罗8:14】因为凡被　神的灵引导的，都是　神的儿子。 |
| [15](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.15) The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.” | [15](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.15) °‍For you °‍did not °‍receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear°‍, °‍but you have received °‍a spirit of adoption°‍. °‍When we cry, “Abba°‍! Father°‍!” | 【罗8:15】你们所受的不是奴仆的心，仍旧害怕；所受的乃是儿子的心，因此我们呼叫：“阿爸，父！” |
| [16](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.16) The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children. | [16](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.16) °‍it is that very Spirit °‍bearing witness with our spirit that we are °‍children °‍of God, | 【罗8:16】圣灵与我们的心同证我们是　神的儿女； |
| [17](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.17) Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory. | [17](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.17) °‍and if °‍children, then °‍heirs°‍, heirs of God and °‍joint heirs with Christ—if, °‍in fact, we °‍suffer with him so that we may also °‍be glorified with him. | 【罗8:17】既是儿女，便是后嗣，就是　神的后嗣，和基督同作后嗣。如果我们和他一同受苦，也必和他一同得荣耀。 |

**Obedience as the Hallmark of the Spirit VV12-17**

* **Living in the Spirit**, believers:
* are no longer debtors to live according to the flesh,
* will live eternally,
* have received a Spirit of adoption by which we cray out “Abba, Father”,
* are children of God, as testified by the Spirit,
* are also heirs (what are we inheriting?) of God and fellow heirs with Christ,
* through suffering together with Him, we should also be glorified together with Him.
* **Summary:** In the Spirit, believers gain freedom from sins, new status, and inheritance.

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| [18](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.18) I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. | [18](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.18) I consider that °‍the sufferings of this present °‍time are not worth comparing with the glory °‍about to be revealed °‍to us. | 【罗8:18】我想，现在的苦楚若比起将来要显于我们的荣耀，就不足介意了。 |
| [19](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.19) For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. | [19](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.19) For the creation waits °‍with eager °‍longing for the revealing of the children of God°‍; | 【罗8:19】受造之物切望等候　神的众子显出来。 |
| [20](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.20) For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope | [20](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.20) °‍for the creation was subjected to °‍futility, not °‍of its own °‍will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope | 【罗8:20】因为受造之物服在虚空之下，不是自己愿意，乃是因那叫他如此的。 |
| [21](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.21) that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God. | [21](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.21) that the creation itself will be °‍set free from its bondage to decay and °‍will obtain the freedom °‍of the glory of the children of God. | 【罗8:21】但受造之物仍然指望脱离败坏的辖制，得享　神儿女自由的荣耀（“享”原文作“入d”）。 |
| [22](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.22) We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. | [22](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.22) We know that the whole creation has been groaning °‍in °‍labor pains °‍until now; | 【罗8:22】我们知道一切受造之物一同叹息、劳苦，直到如今。 |
| [23](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.23) Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. | [23](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.23) °‍and not only °‍the creation, but we ourselves, who have the °‍first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly °‍while we wait °‍for °‍adoption°‍, the redemption of our bodies. | 【罗8:23】不但如此，就是我们这有圣灵初结果子的，也是自己心里叹息，等候得着儿子的名分，乃是我们的身体得赎。 |
| [24](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.24) For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? | [24](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.24) For in °‍hope we were saved. °‍Now hope that is seen is °‍not hope°‍. °‍For who hopes for what °‍is seen? | 【罗8:24】我们得救是在乎盼望；只是所见的盼望不是盼望，谁还盼望他所见的呢？（有古卷作“人所看见的何必再盼望呢？”） |
| [25](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.25) But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently. | [25](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.25) But if we hope for what we do not °‍see, we wait for it °‍with patience. | 【罗8:25】但我们若盼望那所不见的，就必忍耐等候。 |

**The Hope of a New Creation VV18-25**

* Suffering with Christ in order to be glorified with him.
* All anticipate:
	+ All of creation anticipates the revelation of God’s children.
	+ Creation awaits itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay.
	+ Creation awaits itself brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God.
	+ Believers groan and wait for our adoption to consummation of our adoptions, the future redemption of our body.
	+ Believershave the firstfruits of the Spirit, and thus we long for the completion. (already but not yet)
	+ Thus now we wait with endurance.
* **Summary**: The glory of the future age must be indescribably beautiful as the creation longs to experience it.
* **Reflection:** Do we see the groaning of the created, seeing what seen by God (and Paul)?

How do you view suffering in light of this passage? How do you compare present glory on world and future glory in Christ?

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| [26](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.26) 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 through wordless groans. | [26](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.26) °‍Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness°‍; for we do not know °‍how to pray as we ought°‍, but °‍that very Spirit °‍intercedes with sighs too deep for °‍words. | 【罗8:26】况且，我们的软弱有圣灵帮助，我们本不晓得当怎样祷告，只是圣灵亲自用说不出来的叹息替我们祷告。 |
| [27](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.27) And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God’s people in accordance with the will of God. | [27](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.27) And °‍God, who searches °‍the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for °‍the saints according to the will of God. | 【罗8:27】鉴察人心的，晓得圣灵的意思，因为圣灵照着　神的旨意替圣徒祈求。 |

**Hope in Prayer VV26-27**

* **ABBA structure**
	+ **A:** The Spirit helps.
	+ **B:** in our weakness.
	+ **B:** For we do not know what to pray for as we ought.
	+ **A:** but the Spirit intercedes with unspeakable groanings.
* “**Not knowing**”: How to pray? What to pray? or both? V27 provides the answer.
* How does the Spirit help us in prayer? Are “groans” speak in tongue? Why is Spirit’s prayer more effective than we are?
* **Summary**: Spirit’s interceding prayer strengthens our hope in prayer!
* **Reflection:** How does the Spirit’s praying help our prayer life, and our expectations of God’s answers (or lack thereof) regarding our prayers?

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| [28](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.28) 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. | [28](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.28) °‍We know that °‍all things °‍work together for °‍good °‍for those who love °‍God, who °‍are called according to his purpose. | 【罗8:28】我们晓得万事都互相效力，叫爱　神的人得益处，就是按他旨意被召的人。 |
| [29](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.29) For those God foreknew he also predestined to be **conformed to the image of his Son**, that he might be the **firstborn** among many brothers and sisters. | [29](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.29) For those °‍whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn °‍within a large family. | 【罗8:29】因为他预先所知道的人，就预先定下效法他儿子的模样，使他儿子在许多弟兄中作长子。 |
| [30](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.30) And those he **predestined**, he also called; **those he called, he also justified**; those he justified, he also glorified.**Hope of Glorification VV28-30** | [30](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.30) And those whom he predestined °‍he also called; and those whom he called °‍he also justified; and those whom he justified °‍he also glorified. | 【罗8:30】预先所定下的人又召他们来，所召来的人又称他们为义，所称为义的人又叫他们得荣耀。 |

* **God** (in here not referring to Holy Spirit alone) is the one who:
	+ foreknows
	+ predestines,
	+ calls,
	+ justifies, and
	+ glorifies (the whole work of amazing grace)
* **“all things”**:
	+ Likely refer to suffering.
	+ Works together for good to “those who love God”.
* “**those who love God**” implies believers, rather than imply a condition of believers. Eschatological: will be evident and fully realized only at the end time. However, it is a big encouragement for believers who are suffering today.
* Believers’ “love for God” is ultimately due to God’s purpose in calling them to salvation. (Rom. 9:11; Eph. 1:11; 2 Tim. 1:9)
* **Calling** is effectual, more than an invitation that human beings can reject, for “those whom he called he also justified” (100%!)
* “**Good**” of believers means conforming to the likeness of Jesus Christ.
* As the “**first born**”, Jesus becomes part of God’s family through union with God, to live under God’s lordship. “**First born”** also signifies both Christ’s preeminence over and solidarity with other human beings.
* **Reflection:** How does that affect our view towards ourselves, and our goals in life?

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| [31](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.31) What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? | [31](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.31) What °‍then °‍are we to say °‍about these things? If God is for us, who °‍is against us? | 【罗8:31】既是这样，还有什么说的呢？　神若帮助我们，谁能敌挡我们呢？ |
| [32](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.32) 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? | [32](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.32) He who did not °‍withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us°‍, will he not °‍with him °‍also give us °‍everything else? | 【罗8:32】　神既不爱惜自己的儿子为我们众人舍了，岂不也把万物和他一同白白地赐给我们吗？ |
| [33](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.33) Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. | [33](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.33) Who will bring any charge against °‍God’s elect? It is God who justifies. | 【罗8:33】谁能控告　神所拣选的人呢？有　神称他们为义了。（或作“是称他们为义的　神吗？”） |
| [34](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.34) Who then is the one who condemns? No one. 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. | [34](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.34) Who °‍is °‍to condemn? °‍It is Christ Jesus, who died°‍, yes, who was raised°‍, who is at the right hand of God°‍, who indeed intercedes for us. | 【罗8:34】谁能定他们的罪呢？有基督耶稣已经死了，而且从死里复活，现今在　神的右边，也替我们祈求。（“有基督云云”，或作“是已经死了，而且从死里复活，现今在　神的右边，也替我们祈求的基督耶稣吗？”） |
| [35](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.35) Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? | [35](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.35) Who °‍will separate us from the love of Christ? °‍Will hardship, or °‍distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or °‍peril, or sword? | 【罗8:35】谁能使我们与基督的爱隔绝呢？难道是患难吗？是困苦吗？是逼迫吗？是饥饿吗？是赤身露体吗？是危险吗？是刀剑吗？ |
| [36](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.36) As it is written: “For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.” | [36](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.36) As it is written°‍, “For your sake we °‍are being killed all day long; we are °‍accounted as sheep to be slaughtered.” | 【罗8:36】如经上所记：“我们为你的缘故终日被杀，人看我们如将宰的羊。” |
| [37](https://ref.ly/logosres/niv2011?ref=BibleNIV.Ro8.37) No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. | [37](https://ref.ly/logosres/nrsv?ref=BibleNRSV.Ro8.37) No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. | 【罗8:37】然而，靠着爱我们的主，在这一切的事上已经得胜有余了。 |

**Certainty of Hope In Suffering VV31-39**

* **VV1-17** Holy Spirit has given believers a new heart so that they desire to keep God’s commandments.
* **VV18-30** The hope of believers therefore is not dashed by the sufferings of the present era.
* **VV31-39** is the climax of chapter 8, reflecting on the greatness of what God has accomplished on behalf of believers.
* Paul communicates effectively through a series of rhetorical questions, to make a point rather than to get answers.
* V32 Paul argues from the greater to the lesser. It also implies that all the gifts received by believers are given by God’s grace that is “free” & with generosity.
	+ **“Am I lacking?”** Evidence of God being for us is supremely manifested in the giving of his Son as the greatest gift. He will surely give us every other gift that we need (but not necessarily what we want). – Love
	+ **“Am I guilty?”** No one will ever bring a charge against the elect, since God has declared us to be not guilty. – Judicial
	+ **“Can I still be condemned?”** No one will condemn us on the day of judgment, for Christ Jesus died for us, was raised on our behalf, seated at God’s right hand, and intercedes for us. He will certainly not condemn us but defend us against any charge. – Judicial
	+ **“Will I be separated from God?”** Nothing and no one can successfully separate us from God’s love in Christ (consistent with God’s predestination). – Love
	+ **“Will I be defeated by sufferings?”** More than conquerors through Him who loved us. – Love
	+ In summary, God will grant sufficient grace so that believers will inevitably and surely be enabled to meet those conditions.
	+ The love of Christ is so powerful that believers will not forsake him despite the sword, persecution, famine, and so on.
* How do we view ourselves today?

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Songs:

# *誰能使我與神的愛隔絕*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pIjsqwa2aCg>

***【只要有祢在我左右 If My God Is With Me】***

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Y6e0xJlROI>