

# God is with Us

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## Romans 8:1-11, 15-18, 26-28, 31

1 Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, 2 because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death. 3 For what the law was powerless to do in that it was weakened by the sinful nature, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful man to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in sinful man, 4 in order that the righteous requirements of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the sinful nature but according to the Spirit. 5 Those who live according to the sinful nature have their minds set on what that nature desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. 6 The mind of sinful man is death, but the mind controlled by the Spirit is life and peace; 7 the sinful mind is hostile to God. It does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. 8 Those controlled by the sinful nature cannot please God. 9 You, however, are controlled not by the sinful nature but by the Spirit, if the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ. 10 But if Christ is in you, your body is dead because of sin, yet your spirit is alive because of righteousness. 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 through his Spirit, who lives in you. 12-14... 15 For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry, "Abba, Father." 16 The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. 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. 18 I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. 19-25... 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 with groans that words cannot express. 27 And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints in accordance with God's will. 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. 29-30... 31 What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us?

## Romans 8:31

What, then, shall we say in response to **THIS?**

If God is for us, who can be against us?

We know God is for us and with us because...

**v. 1 THERE IS NO CONDEMNATION FOR THOSE WHO ARE IN CHRIST JESUS**

We know God is for us and with us because...

**v. 3 GOD SENT HIS OWN SON TO BE A SIN OFFERING FOR US**

We know God is for us and with us because...

**v. 6, 11 THE SPIRIT LIVES IN YOU AND GIVES LIFE AND PEACE**

We know God is for us and with us because...

**v. 15 WE HAVE NOT RECEIVED A SPIRIT OF FEAR**

We know God is for us and with us because...

**v. 16 THE SPIRIT TESTIFIES TO OUR SPIRIT THAT WE ARE GOD'S CHILD**

We know God is for us and with us because...

**v. 17 WE ARE HEIRS OF GOD AND CO-HEIRS WITH CHRIST**

We know God is for us and with us because...

**v. 26-27 THE SPIRIT INTERCEDES FOR US IN OUR WEAKNESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOD'S WILL**

We know God is for us and with us because...

**v. 28 GOD WORKS FOR THE GOOD OF THOSE WHO LOVE HIM**