



## INTRO FOR NEXT WEEK

### FOREVER LOVED

#### PASSAGE OVERVIEW

God is for you. Consider that! If you have trusted Jesus as your Savior, you have peace with God. There is no condemnation leveled against you anymore. You've been adopted. You are an heir. The Father gave His Son for you. This is the ultimate gift. This is the greatest act of love ever. Who then would dare come against you? God is for you.

Still, life is difficult. We may feel alone at times. Enemies may conspire against us. There are even times when we can feel like we are almost at the breaking point. It is then, that we need to remember: God is for us. He is greater and more powerful than all and any who oppose us.

So list the challenges you are facing. Write them down; physical, emotional, relational, social, financial, spiritual. Write them down. Then write across the page, If God loves me so much that He sent Jesus to die in my place, He will handle all of these for me.

In Him, we not only survive, we win. We are more than conquerors. We should never be overwhelmed by circumstances. He is greater. His love for us is greater. We, of all people, should live hopeful and joy-filled lives regardless of what is thrown at us.

Nothing, nothing, nothing can ever, ever, ever separate you from His love. Period! You are forever loved by your Father.

#### READING FOR NEXT WEEK

Romans 8:31-39

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The path through suffering to glory is so worth it. (18)

#### I. Anticipation (19-25)

A. Creation hopes. (19-22)

B. We hope. (23-25)

1. Wait eagerly – with expectation and anticipation.
2. Hope is for what we don't see.
3. Wait for it with patience.

#### II. Help in the In-Between (26-27)

The Spirit's help. Help is a word that combines the word for 'help' with another for 'together'.

#### III. God's relentless good. (28-30)

A. For who? (28)

1. Those who love God.
2. Those who are called according to His purpose.

B. What is good? Being like Jesus!

C. God's unbreakable, unstoppable plan for our good.

1. Foreknew – when used of God: to select in advance.
2. Predestined – ordain or determine
3. Called – summon into relationship with Him
4. Justified – declare righteous
5. Glorified – impart glory to something, render it excellent

**How does this apply to me?**

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