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Psalm 130

# Paul's letter to believers in Rome

*Rom. 8:34-39 Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? Just as it is written,*

*"FOR YOUR SAKE WE ARE BEING PUT TO DEATH ALL DAY LONG;  
WE WERE CONSIDERED AS SHEEP TO BE SLAUGHTERED."*

*But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*



HEADLINE

# The Crescendo of Absolute Certainty of the Salvation of Believers

“The great difficulty with many Christians is that cannot persuade themselves that Christ (or God) loves them; and the reason why they cannot feel confident of the love of God, is, that they know they do not deserve His love, on the contrary, that they are in the highest degree unlovely. How can the infinitely pure God love those who are defiled with sin, who are proud, selfish, discontented, ungrateful, disobedient? This indeed is hard to believe. But it is the very thing we are required to believe ....”

Charles Hodge

Rom. 8:35a **Who will separate us from the love of Christ?**

Rom. 8:35a τίς ἡμᾶς χωρίσει ἀπὸ τῆς ἀγάπης τοῦ Χριστοῦ

**Who** TIS indefinite pronoun, anyone, anybody, someone

**us** HEMEIS believers, sons, joint-heirs

**will separate** CHORIZO CHOR (space) + IZO (to make, cause)  
➔ — — — — ➔ Matt. 2:12; 15:17; Mark 2:2; Luke 2:8; 12:16; John 1:3; Acts 1:4; 4:34

**from** APO apart from, away from

**the love of Christ** 1) Christ's love ... toward us  
2) not love we have for Christ

Rhetorical Question - Answer NO ONE !!

Rom. 8:35b

# **Will tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?**

Rom. 8:35b ql iyib h·stenocwria h·diwgmor h·l imor h·gumnothb h·kiadunoB h·magaira;

## **Will**

**tribulation or ...** THLIPSIS to press, squeeze, pinch  
*Matt. 7:14; Mark 3:9; 2Cor. 7:5*

**distress or ...** STENOCHORIA = STENO *Matt. 7:13-14; Luke 13:24*  
(narrow, strait) + CHORIA (space)

**persecution or ...** DIOGMOS = DIOG (to pursue) + MA (result of)  
*Matt. 23:34; Luke 17:23; Acts 8:1; 13:50; 26:11*

**famine or ...** LIMOS famine, lack of food or nutrition

**nakedness or ...** GUMNOTES naked, lack of shelter, clothing  
*Matt. 25:36; Mark 14:51-52; John 21:7; 1Cor. 15:37; Rev. 3:17-18*

**peril or ...** KINDUNOS danger, risk, insecurity, loss  
*Luke 8:23; Acts 19:27,40; Rom. 8:35; 1Cor. 15:30; 2Cor. 11:26*

**sword** MACHAIRA sword; dagger; knife, war, conflict  
*Matt. 26:51; Luke 21:24; John 6:52; Acts 12:2; Heb. 4:12*

Rom. 8:36a *Just as it is written, ...*

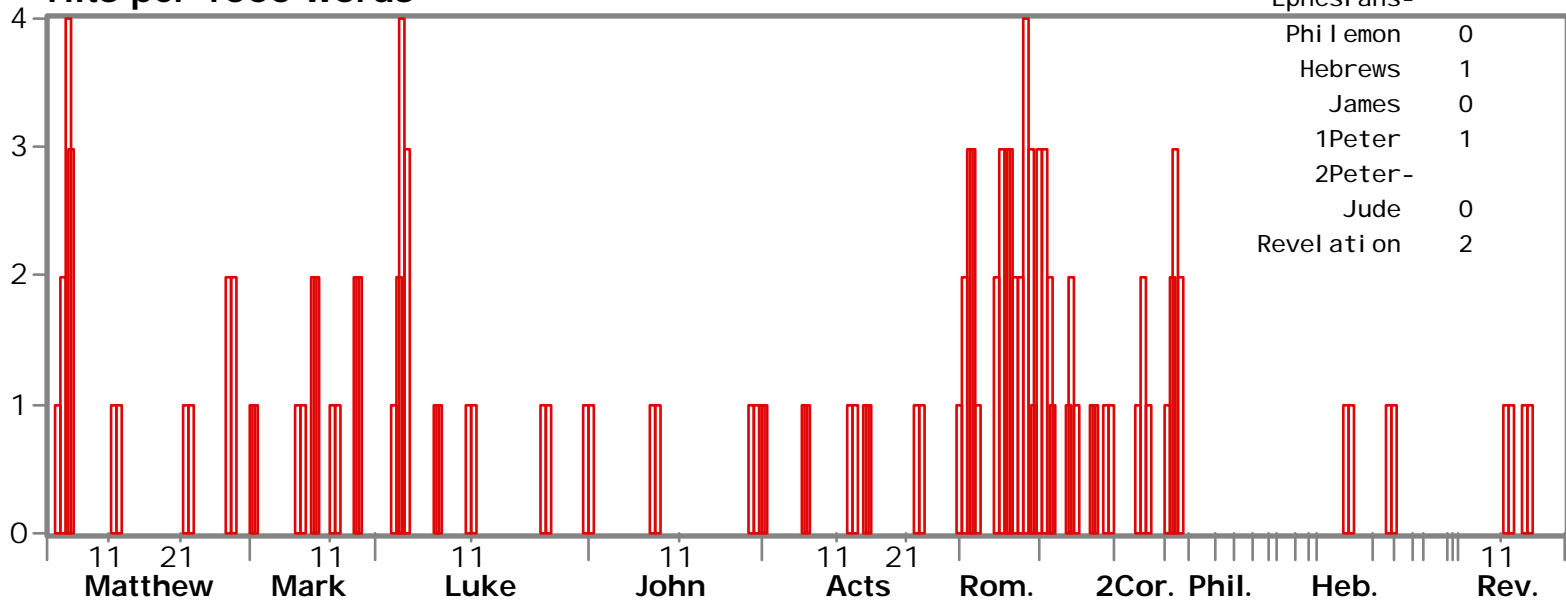
Rom. 8:36a kaqws gegraptai oti ...

Rom. 1:17; 2:24; 3:4,10; 4:17; 8:36; 9:13,33; 10:15; 11:8,26;  
12:19; 14:11; 15:3,9,21 (16 times)

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■ "gegraptai"

# Types of Psalms

<b>Messianic Psalms</b>	speak of the Person and the work of the Messiah
<b>Lament Psalms</b>	a cry to God for help
<b>Testimonial Psalms</b>	tell others what God has done
<b>Pilgrim Psalms</b>	sung during pilgrimage to Jerusalem
<b>Imprecatory Psalms</b>	ask for judgement on wicked men
<b>Penitential Psalms</b>	sorrow over sin
<b>Wisdom Psalms</b>	reveal guidance for godly people
<b>Historical Psalms</b>	look back on God's dealings with the nation of Israel
<b>Nature Psalms</b>	tell of the handiwork of God in His creative work



# Authors of Psalms

<b>David</b>	73	Book 1,37; Book 2,18; Book 3,1; Book 4,2; Book 5,15
<b>Asaph</b>	12	Psa 50, 73-83
<b>Sons of Korah</b>	12	Psa 42-49, 84, 85, 87,88
<b>Solomon</b>	2	Psa 72, 127
<b>Moses</b>	1	Psa 90
<b>Ethan</b>	1	Psa 89

# Dates of the Psalms

<b>1520-1420 BC</b> <i>Moses</i>	1	Psa 90	
<b>970-870 BC</b> <i>Solomon</i>	2	Psa 72, 127	1Chr. 15:17,19; Psa. 89:0
<b>1040-970 BC</b> <i>David</i>	73	Book 1,37; Book 2,18; Book 3,1; Book 4,2; Book 5,15	
<b>Sons of Korah</b>	12	Psa 42-49, 84, 85, 87,88	Num 16 Num. 26:11; 1Chr. 9:19; Psa. 42:0; 44:0; 45:0; 46:0; 47:0; 48:0; 49:0; 84:0; 85:0; 87:0; 88:0; Jude 1:11
<b>1000-970 BC</b> <i>Asaph</i>	12	Psa 50, 73-83	1Chr. 16:7,37; 25:1,6; 2Chr. 35:15; Ezra 2:41; Neh. 7:44; 11:17; 12:46
<b>1000-970 BC</b> <i>Ethan</i>	1	Psa 89	1Chr. 15:17,19; Psa. 89:0

# Divisions of the Psalms

<b>Book 1</b>	Psalms 1-41	Ends with Doxology Psa 41
<b>Book 2</b>	Psalms 42-72	Ends with Doxology Psa 72
<b>Book 3</b>	Psalms 73-89	Ends with Doxology Psa 89
<b>Book 4</b>	Psalms 90-106	Ends with Doxology Psa 106
<b>Book 5</b>	Psalms 107-150	Ends with Doxology Psa 150

# Nature of Hebrew Poetry

<b>Parallelism</b>	<i>the practice of balancing one thought or phrase by a corresponding thought or phrase</i>
<b>Synonymous Parallelism</b>	<i>Identical or similar ideas *Psa 24:1; <u>19.2</u></i>
<b>Antithetic Parallelism</b>	<i>Opposing or contrasting ideas *<u>Psa 1:6</u></i>
<b>Constructive Parallelism</b>	<i>Expanding similar ideas *Psa 2:6; <u>Prov 26:4</u></i>
<b>Climatic Parallelism</b>	<i>Incomplete ideas that build up *Psa 29:1</i>
<b>Emblematic Parallelism</b>	<i>Ideas followed by vivid pictures *<u>Prov 11:22</u></i>

Rom. 8:36b

# **"FOR YOUR SAKE WE ARE BEING PUT TO DEATH ALL DAY LONG;**

Rom. 8:36b *eneken souvqanatounéqa oChn thñ hteran,*

Quote from Psalm 44:22

*National Lament Psalm song of grief, regret, sadness*

**"an expression of the price of loyalty to God in a world a war with Him" Charles Ryrie**

## **FOR YOUR SAKE**

ENEKEN - on account of, for the sake of, because of, for

*for the sake of you (God)*

*Psalm 69:1-7-12*

## **WE ARE BEING PUT TO DEATH**

to physically be killed (world wide)

being separated out = hagios, set apart ones

## **ALL DAY LONG**

*the day class, all, whole class*

# Suffering Part of Normal Christian Life

Rom. 8:36c **WE WERE CONSIDERED AS SHEEP TO BE  
SLAUGHTERED."** Rom. 8:36c el ogisqhmen wß probata sfaghß.

**WE WERE CONSIDERED**



*we are being accounted*

**LOGIZOMAI** Rom. 6:11; 8:18,36

**AS SHEEP TO BE  
SLAUGHTERED**

*as, like, slaughter sheep*

Lev. 22:23; Psa. 43:23; Zech. 11:4,7; Is. 53:7; Jer. 32:34; Acts 8:32; Rom. 8:36

Phil. 1:29; 3:8,10 Rom. 8:17-18,22

Suffering is part of our Fellowship w/Christ

Rom. 8:37a

***But in all these things ...***

Rom. 8:37a αὐτὸ ἐν ταῦτοις πᾶσιν ...

***But***

*ALLA strong contrast*

***in ... these  
things***

*in the midst of these very things*

***in all these things***

*in the midst of these very things, all of them*

Rom. 8:37b ... **we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us.**

Rom. 8:37b ... ὑπερνικῶμεν διὰ τοῦ ἀγαπήσαντός ἡμᾶς.

Rom. 8:37 Neuerthelesse, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved vs. Geneva, KJV, ASV, NIV, Darby

**we overwhelmingly conquer**  ὑπερνικῶμεν

*NIKO (to gain victory) + HYPER (above, beyond)*  
only time word occurs in NT

**through Him  
who loved**

*DIA + genitive = through, by means of, with  
the one who loved*

our victory by means of His  
love (the Cross), NOT by  
means of our love for Him

**us**

*us (believers)*


**Grace Perpetually Exceeds Expectations**



Rom. 8:38a **For I am convinced that ...**

Rom. 8:38a πεπεισμαι γαρ οτι ...

**For** *to explain further vs 35-37, 31-37, 18-37*

**I am convinced**  *persuaded, convinced*  
*perfect tense - completed action abiding results*  
*calls emphasis to Paul's complete mind set*

**that** *content of Paul's confidence, persuasion*

# **neither death, ...nor any other created thing,**

Rom. 8:38b-39a

Rom. 8:38b ουτε θανατοσ ουτε ζωη\ουτε αγγελ οι ουτε αρχαι«ουτε ενεστωτα  
ουτε μετ' οντα ουτε δυναμεισ 39 ουτε υψωμα ουτε βαροσ ουτε τιβ κτισιβ  
ετερηα dunhsetai hhaß

- neither death** *THANATOS* separation (physical, spiritual)
- nor life** *ZOE* life (biological, living thing, cloning thing)
- nor angels** *ANGELOS* messengers, created heavenly creatures
- nor principalities** *ARCHE* highest ones, first ranking ones,
- nor things present** things existing effectively, actually, presently
- nor things future** things about to become (change, not now the case)
- nor powers** *DUNAMIS* powers, able ones
- nor height**
- nor depth**
- nor any other created thing** any other of different kind created thing

Astronomy terms  
or Psa 139:8

List Includes YOU!!

Rom. 8:39b ... **will be able to separate us** ...  
... dunhʒetai h̄taʒ cwrisai

**will be able to** → — — — — → *DUNAMAI (to be able, to have power)*

**us**      *believers*

**to separate** →

*CHORIZO = CHOR (space) + IZO (to cause, make)*

*\*same word as in Rom 8:35*

**No One Will EVER Be Able to Separate Us**

Rom. 8:39b ... **from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.**  
... ἀπο\θηῖ ἀγαπῆ του γεου\θηῖ ἐν Cristw̄ Ihsou\tw̄ kuriw̄ h̄dwn.

**from** APO *apart from, away from*

**the love of God,** *the Love of God*

- 1) *God's love ... toward us*
- 2) *not love we have for God*

**which is in  
Christ Jesus  
our Lord.**

*the Love in Christ Jesus the Lord of us*

**God's Love Secures Me, Not my love for Him**

# Clear Emphatic Statements of Romans 8: "You Can Never Be Separated From Jesus Christ"

*Why Do Some Question Eternal Security Of Believers ?*

- ◆ *Few Misunderstood Questions Dominate Minds*
- ◆ *Rebellious Nature Of Men*
- ◆ *Natural Desire For A Merit Relationship*
- ◆ *Ignorance Of God's Words*
- ◆ *Faulty Approach To Bible Study*
- ◆ *#1 Lack Of Understanding*  
*What Was Accomplished By The Cross*

for He Himself has said,

"I WILL NEVER DESERT YOU, NOR WILL I EVER FORSAKE YOU,"

The End