



# WHEN LIFE IS TOUGH

Invariable Love in a Changing World

Part 7 - Romans 8:35-39

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1. Be \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.35, 38-39)

*Because with God there are...*

*Because with us it is...*

**35** Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? **36** As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." **37** No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. **38** For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, **39** nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. (ESV)

2. Be \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.36-37)

# Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. What are some of the differences between living the Christian life with confidence in God's love and living the Christian life while doubting God's love?

How does assurance regarding your relationship with God change how you face tough times?

2. Why is a broad understanding of the character of God so important in a study of God's invariable love?
3. Read **Romans 8:35**. What are some of the specific circumstances which tempt Christians in our culture to question God's love?
4. Read **1 John 2:3-6**. How can a discussion of "assurance" be a dangerous thing in some circumstances?

Read **1 John 1:6 – 2:2**. Describe the difference between the evidence of regeneration, perfection, and the absence of any signs of regeneration.

## ***The Compass "Bible Reading"*** ***Schedule for this Week:***

Go to [ESV.org](http://ESV.org) (*Reading Plans: Through the Bible*) for schedule prompts.

**June 27<sup>th</sup>**

*Job 10-12 & Ac.8:1-25*

**June 28<sup>th</sup>**

*Job 13-15 & Ac.8:26-40*

**June 29<sup>th</sup>**

*Job 16-18 & Ac.9:1-22*

**June 30<sup>th</sup>**

*Job 19-20 & Ac.9:23-43*

**July 1<sup>st</sup>**

*Job 21-22 & Ac.10:1-23*

**July 2<sup>nd</sup>**

*Job 23-25 & Ac.10:24-48*

**July 3<sup>rd</sup>**

*Job 26-28 & Ac.11*

**July 4<sup>th</sup>**

*Job 29-30 & Ac.12*

For sermons on MP3 go to [FPR.info](http://FPR.info). The following are other available sermons related to today's subject matter.

CD # 0913 – ***Real Love: Its Eternal Provision***

CD # 0537 – ***A Question of Perseverance, Salvation & Eternal Security***

CD # 0903 – ***The Unfailing Promises of God's Word***

CD # 0601 – ***Being Rightly Concerned About Real Faith***

CD # 0215-0218 – ***All You Need (a four-part series on the nature of grace)***

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon.

Carson, D. A. ***The Difficult Doctrine of the Love of God***. Crossway Books, 1999.

Chapell, Bryan. ***The Promises of Grace: Living in the Grip of God's Love***. Baker Books, 2001.

Clotfelter, David. ***Sinners in the Hands of a Good God: Reconciling Divine Judgment & Mercy***. Moody Press, 2004.

Gromacki, Robert. ***Salvation is Forever***. Moody Press, 1973.

Guinness, Os. ***God in the Dark: The Assurance of Faith Beyond a Shadow of Doubt***. Crossway Books, 1996.

Lawson, Steven L. ***Absolutely Sure: Settle the Question of Eternal Life***. Multnomah, 1999.

Lloyd-Jones, Martyn. ***Assurance of Our Salvation: Studies in John 17***. Crossway Books, 2000.

MacArthur, John. ***Saved Without A Doubt: How to Be Sure of Your Salvation***. Victor Books, 1992.

Owen, John. ***Christians Are Forever***. Reprint, Grace Publications, 1993.

Parsons, Burk, ed. ***Assured by God: Living in the Fullness of God's Grace***. P & R Publishing, 2007.

Powlison, David. ***God's Love: Better Than Unconditional***. P & R Publishing, 2001.

Thoennes, K. Eirk. ***Godly Jealousy: A Theology of Intolerant Love***. Christian Focus Publications, 2005.