

ENCOURAGEMENT from ROMANS 8.

Romans 8:1 “There is therefore now **no condemnation** for those who are in Christ Jesus.”

Romans 8:15-16 “For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but **you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons**, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” 16 The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God,”

Romans 8:28 “And we know that for those who love God **all things work together for good,**”

Romans 8:31 “What then shall we say to these things? **If God is for us, who can be against us?**”

Romans 8:35-37 “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.**”

Romans 8:38-39 “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.**”

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

- 1) Warm-up: If you were stuck on an island during the 'lockdown' and were only allowed 3 items with you, what would they be?
- 2) Do you sometimes feel fearful about something? How does knowing that God is our Father help to erase the fear?
- 3) When you look at your current challenges & difficulties – how do you think it will “work for your good” in the end?
- 4) Have you ever needed to conquer something and got it right? Tell us about it...
- 5) Is there a current challenge you need to conquer? How do you think you will do it?
- 6) Do you sometimes feel distant from God's love? If yes, when? How does the truth of Scripture counter that feeling?

Prayer time:

1. Pray for each other and your family.
2. Pray for an unsaved friend.
3. Pray for Worcester.
4. Pray for South Africa & the world.