

## IF GOD IS FOR US

Romans 8:31-39

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The questions below are designed to be used by Saylorville Church Cell Groups as they meet during the week following the Sunday morning message at Saylorville. The intent is not for groups to answer every question, but for leaders to use the questions as a guide as they tailor the discussion to the unique needs of their group. The Sunday message and these questions can be found each week at [www.saylorvillechurch.com/sermons](http://www.saylorvillechurch.com/sermons).

### CONNECT WITH YOUR GROUP (10-15 MINUTES)

- If any of the couples in your group attended the Marriage Conference, ask them to give a quick summary of the experience.
- Valentine's Day is this week. As a group, come up with a definition of love. How does our culture shape your definition? How does Scripture help shape it?

### APPLY THE BIBLE (45-60 MINUTES)

- **Remember** what you talked about last time you met. Anything you need to follow up on as a group?
- **Review** the notes you took on Sunday. What is **one thing** that sticks out to you about what you heard?
- **Read** Romans 8:31-38. In his message, Dr. Ortland reminded us that **God loves us no matter what**.

### INTRO:

- When you think of God's love for you, what do you picture?

### Four Questions About the Love of God:

#### 1. If God is for us, who can be against us? (Romans 8:31)

- a. Tell your group what it means to you personally to have a relationship with your Creator God.
- b. Paul assumes that nothing can be against us since God is on our side. What are some of the events or circumstances you've gone through that might make you wonder if God is for you?

#### 2. Since God gave us His Son, will He not freely give us all things? (Romans 8:32)

- a. How might you respond to someone who asks, "If God loves me, why does He allow hard things to happen to me?"
- b. How does it make you feel to know that God enjoys it when you come to Him with needs?

#### 3. Since God justifies us, who can condemn us? (Romans 8:33-34)

- a. Because it is God Who justifies us, nobody can condemn us. What are some of the ways satan tries to condemn you? What are the lies that he tells you? How do you usually respond?
- b. What are some passages of Scripture that you can remember when satan lies to you?

#### 4. What can separate us from the love of Christ? (Romans 8:35-39)

- a. Talk about some of the most difficult circumstances you've gone through. Looking back, how did God show you His love during those times?
- b. How should God's past faithfulness direct your response to trials in the future?

***God will make sure that whatever happens to you, you will always be carried into more of the love of God, until you are with the Lord for eternity. - Ray Ortland***

### PRAY TOGETHER (5-15 MINUTES)

- Praise God as a group like this, "Lord, I'm especially grateful for this aspect of your love today..."