

4X8 | SERMON STUDY
WEEK 4: CHEAT CODE: POWER OF THE RESURRECTION
Romans 8:31-39
May 19, 2019

Dive deeper into this week's message and passages from the Bible. Here are some questions to help you guide your group discussion.

The Resurrection of Jesus gives us purpose! We are built for every season, reason, challenge, and opposition, because it is the power to pursue a transformed life. As we wrap up Romans 8, Kenny Hart helped us understand: This chapter isn't about what you're less than, but about how God is more than!

Read Romans 8:31-32. Romans 8 reminds us that it's time to check our jerseys: There are benefits for wearing the right jersey and there are consequences for wearing the wrong one. If you're on God's team, it doesn't matter who's on the other team.

- We already know that God is on our side. But the essential question we each must ask ourselves daily is: "Am I on God's side?" How would you answer that and why?
- In that same sense, we must also ask if the things in our life line up with being on God's team. Are you able to discern whether your life lines up with God's will and his calling? Where might you need prayer in this area?

Read Romans 8:33-34. Even though God has chosen you, Satan wants to discourage you. But God's grace takes those accusations and says, "You don't justify me. It is God who justifies me."

- In what ways do you face Satan's accusations against you?
- In what ways does it give you freedom to know that God has chosen you, justified you, cleaned you, and washed you, so you don't have to do anything, prove anything, or defend anything?

Read Romans 8:35-39. When you're a conqueror, you win because of what you do, but when you're more than a conqueror you win because of what he's done. You are more than a conqueror in Jesus!

- When are you tempted to fix every broken thing, reconcile every relationship, and solve every personal problem in your life? How do these pressures often make you feel?
- What does Jesus' resurrection personally mean to you?
- What does it mean to you that Jesus' resurrection means a complete resurrection of your own life right now?

REFLECT

What is God saying to you through his word? How and when will you respond?

DAILY BIBLE READING

Need a review of what we're reading in Daily Bible Reading? Here's a glance at how we're being challenged this week (subscribe at tpcc.org/dailybiblereading!).

Day One: Romans 8:37 | More than conquerors.

Day Two: Romans 8:31-32 | Check your jersey.

Day Three: Romans 8:33-34 | Confront condemnation.

Day Four: Romans 8:35-37 | Trust God for what you lack.

Day Five: Romans 8:38-39 | Whose side are you on?