THE BOOK OF ROMANS

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO GRACE. THE FOUNDATION OF NEW TESTAMENT THEOLOGY.

Romans 8:31-39

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

What Are You Going To Do About Bible Prophecy? – Part 3

The Gospel of Grace. The Foundation of New Testament Theology And How The Justified Shall Live by Faith in Jesus Christ Alone.

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

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Romans 8:31-39

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? 32 He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? 33 Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. 34 Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us. 35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? 36 As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter." 37 Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. 38 For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, 39 nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

> And so we're (I am) asking the Question – What Are You Going To Do About Bible Prophecy?

It is James Montgomery Boice, who says of Romans Chapter 8, "It is the Mount Everest of the letter, and thus the highest peak in the highest Himalayan range of the Scripture.

1.) The fact is - your glorification is coming.	vs. 31-32
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2.) The fact is – your defense is in God's hands

vs. 33-34

33 Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. 34 Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, Who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.

2a.) His innocence is now my innocence

vs. 33

Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies.

Justifies grk: di'kai'oo to show, to display, to exhibit righteousness, to proclaim, to declare another righteous (imparted – given), to be acquitted, vindicated, having all record, convictions, guilt and shame expunged.

2 Corinthians 5:21

21 For He (God the Father) made Him (God the son) who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

(a deliberate reading of the passage in the reverse highlights the point)

2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.,

2b.) His death is now my death

vs. 34a

Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died,

If we were to dial in to the "Frequency of the Spirit Realm" we would be very startled by the reality of what's happening.

An Eschatological Doctrine is Before us Here.

During the coming 7 year tribulation period, there will be the witness of The 144,000 Hebrew Jewish Evangelists, 12,000 from each of the 12 Tribes of Israel AND the witness of the Tribulation Saints, - All of These are **the Elect of God** also - - but for them, their days of ministry is that time of horrific suffering and global mayhem under the rule of the Antichrist. These "Elect of God" will be those converted during those 7 years of Tribulation but must die for being a Christ follower.

Revelation 12:10-12

Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. **11** And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death. **12** Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time."

> But Jesus Christ Died in My Place, for me - and it was as Extreme, Violent, & Effective as if I were There.

> > I died with Him - He died with me -

Colossians 1:21-22

And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled **22** in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight.

Ephesians 2:1-3

And you *He made alive,* who were dead in trespasses and sins, **2** in which you once walked according to the course of this world according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience, **3** among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others.

Christ Offers Absolute Freedom from the Dominance of Slavery.

Isaiah 50:8-9

8 He is near who justifies Me; Who will contend with Me? Let us stand together. Who is My adversary? Let him come near Me. 9 Surely the Lord GOD will help Me; Who is he who will condemn Me?

Colossians 3:1-7

If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. 2 Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. 3 For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ *who is* our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. 5
Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. 6 Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, 7 in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them.

Jack - how does this practically work in Real Life for Me?

{ this is how – you preach this truth to yourself by the hour if needed }

"that attitude, that desire, that lust, that selfishness – is now dead to me"

"nope, this is not me anymore" "I refuse to be the old me"

How is This Possible? – Because we have a new OS.

Galatians 2:**20** (step one) I have been crucified with Christ; (step two) it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; (step three) and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, (step four) who loved me and gave Himself for me.

Galatians 5:24

And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

What Are You Going To Do About Bible Prophecy? When the fact is – your defense is in God's hands!

2c.) His life is now my life

vs. 34b

and furthermore is also risen,

Who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.

The Literal Foundation of Christianity is solely based upon Jesus Christ having been resurrected from the dead.

1 Corinthians 15:13-17

But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ is not risen. 14 And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty. 15 Yes, and we are found false witnesses of God, because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ, whom He did not raise up - if in fact the dead do not rise. 16 For if the dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen.
17 And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins!

John 14:19-21

"A little while longer and the world will see Me no more, but you will see Me. Because I live, you will live also. **20** At that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you. **21** He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him."

The Exhortation Here is - What Are You Going To Do About Bible Prophecy?

1 Peter 1:20-21

He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you :21 who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

John 13:19

Now I tell you before it comes, that when it does come to pass, you may believe that I am He.

John 14:29

"And now I have told you before it comes, that when it does come to pass, you may believe.

John 16:4

But these things I have told you, that when the time comes, you may remember that I told you of them.

John 16:33

These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."

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