

# The Book of Romans “A RIGHTEOUSNESS FROM GOD!”

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## TEXT:

**26** Likewise **the Spirit** helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but **the Spirit himself** intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. **27** And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the **Spirit**, because **the Spirit** intercedes for the saints according to the will of **God**. **28** And we know that for those who love **God** all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. **29** For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of **his Son**, in order that he might be **the firstborn** among many brothers. **30** And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

**31** 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 gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? **33** Who shall bring any charge against **God's** elect? It is **God** who justifies. **34** Who is to condemn? **Christ Jesus** is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at **the right hand of God**, who indeed is interceding for us. **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**.

## STUDY NOTES:

### A. THE SPIRIT INTERCEDES FOR THE SAINTS

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(Gal 5:22-26; Eph 6:17,18; Rev 2:7,23; 14:13; 22:16-17)

### B. GOD'S PURPOSES FOR HIS PREDESTINED AND CALLED SAINTS

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(Gen 50:20; Is 38:17; Jer 29:11; 1 Cor 1:9; Gal 1:6,15; Eph 1:4; 1 Tim 2:4; 2 Tim 1:9; Eph 1:4-11; 3:11; 4:1-4; 1 Tim 2:4; 2 Tim 1:9; 1 Th 2:12; Heb 6:17; 9:15; 1 Pet 2:9; 2 Pet 1:10; 1 Cor 15:49; 2 Cor 3:18; Php 3:21; 1 Jn 3:2; Mk 16:19)

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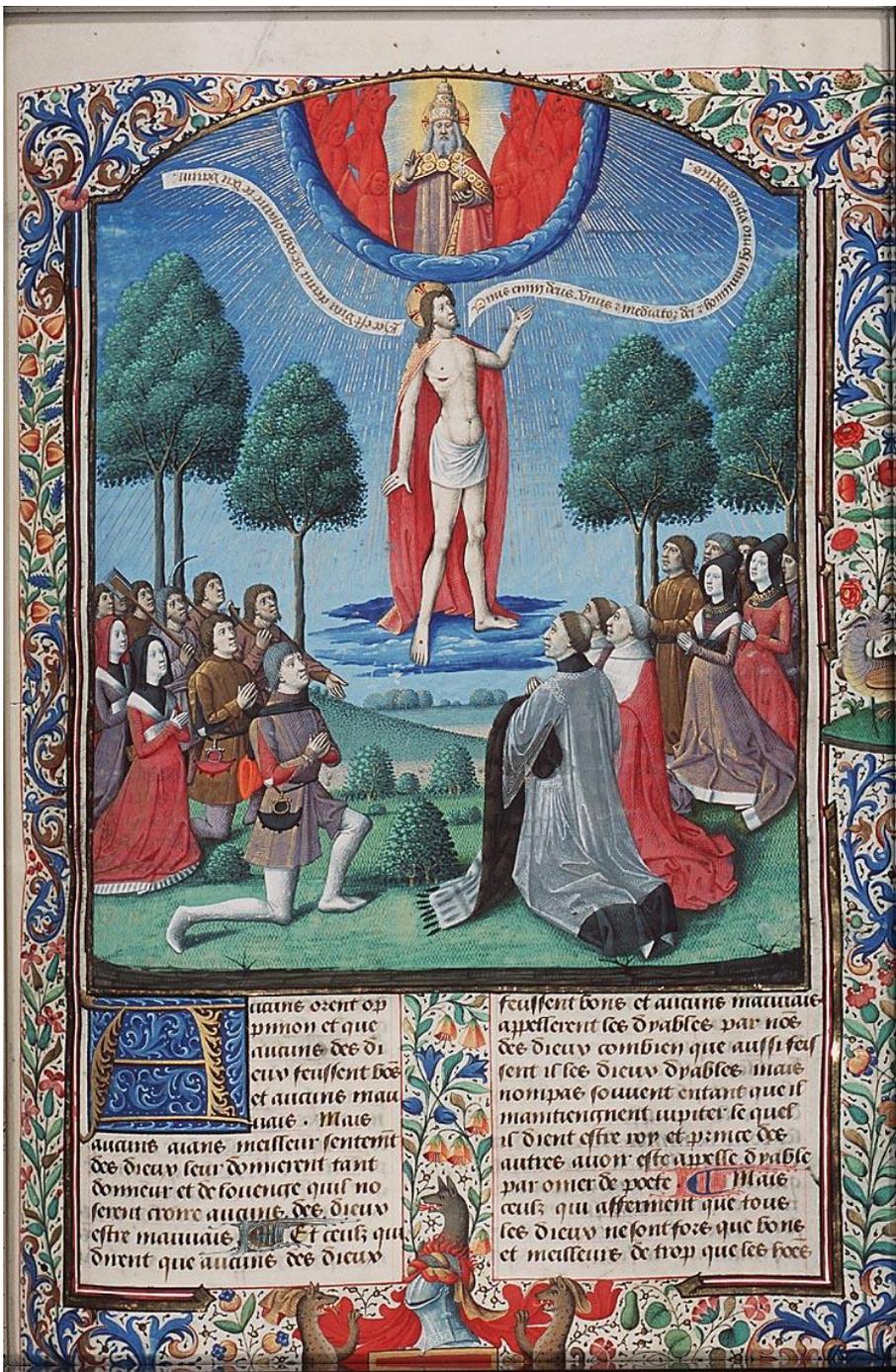
“For your sake we are being killed all the day long;  
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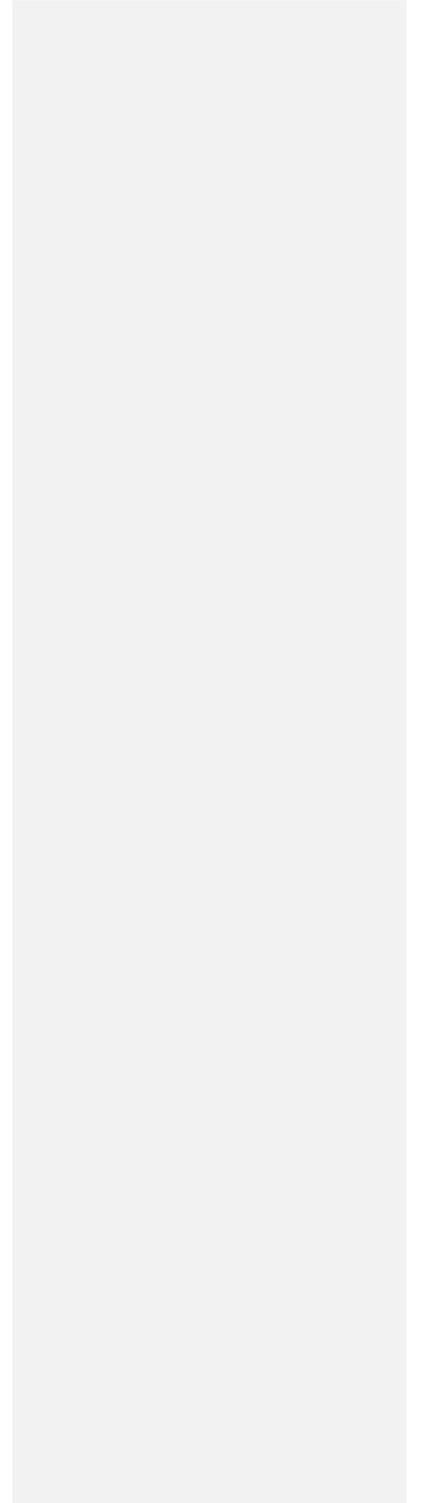
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(1 Cor 3:22; 4:9-11; 15:30,31,57; 2 Cor 4:11; 6:9; 11:23-33; Eph 1:21; Col 1:16; 1 Pet 3:22)

## LIFE APPLICATION:

1. How does one become a saint to that he/she has the Holy Spirit who intercedes for them? Why is it such a comfort to us that the Spirit intercedes for us when we don't even know how to pray sometimes?
2. What is the real purpose for our lives in the doctrine of election and predestination? Describe the three views among Christians of predestination. Who does all the calling from beginning to end?
3. When have you experienced all the various perils listed by Paul which try to separate us from God? Where do we see these perils driving some people away from God? How can these perils instead drive you closer to God?

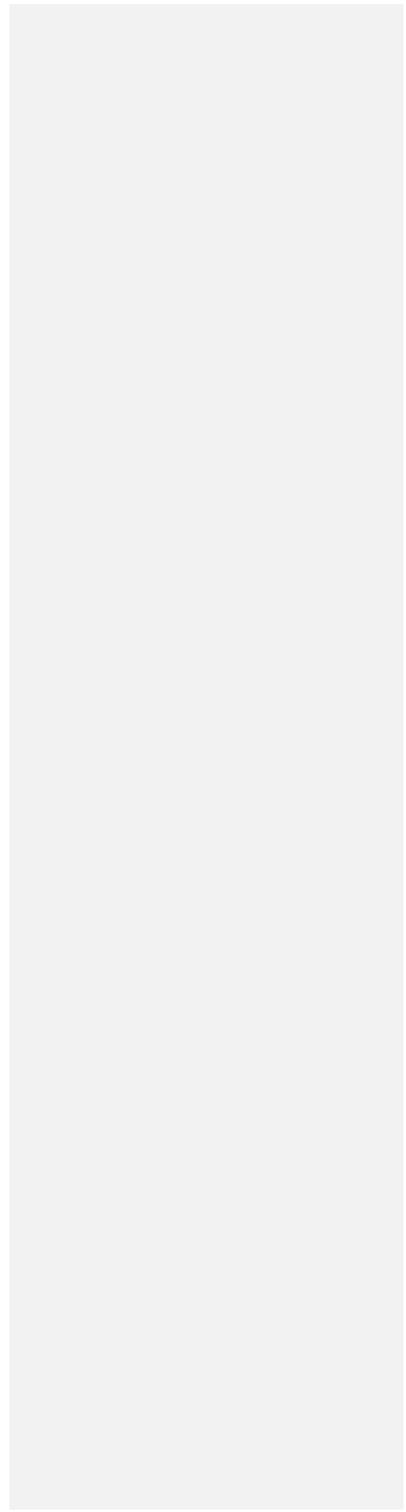


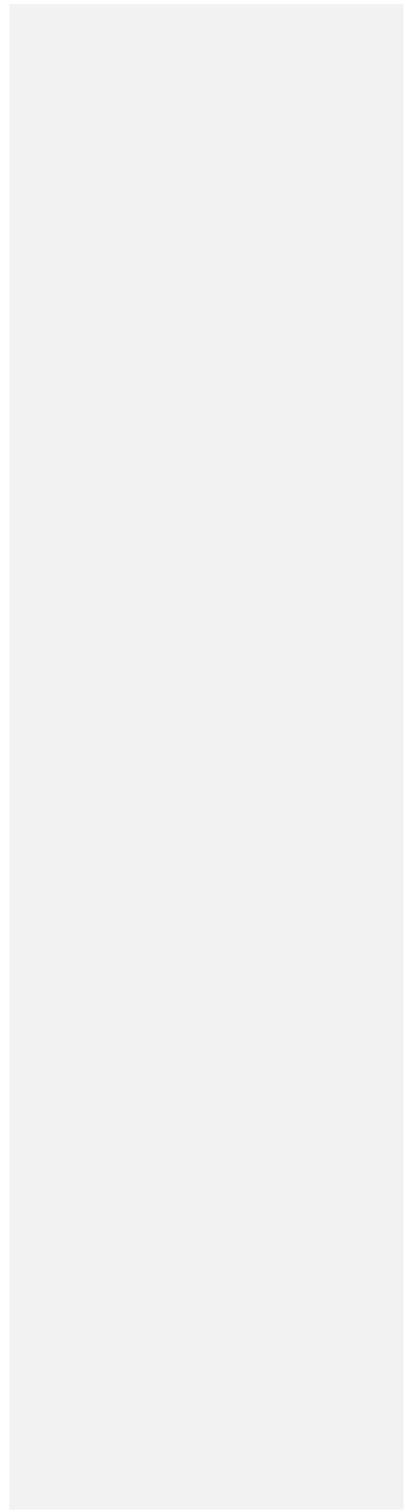


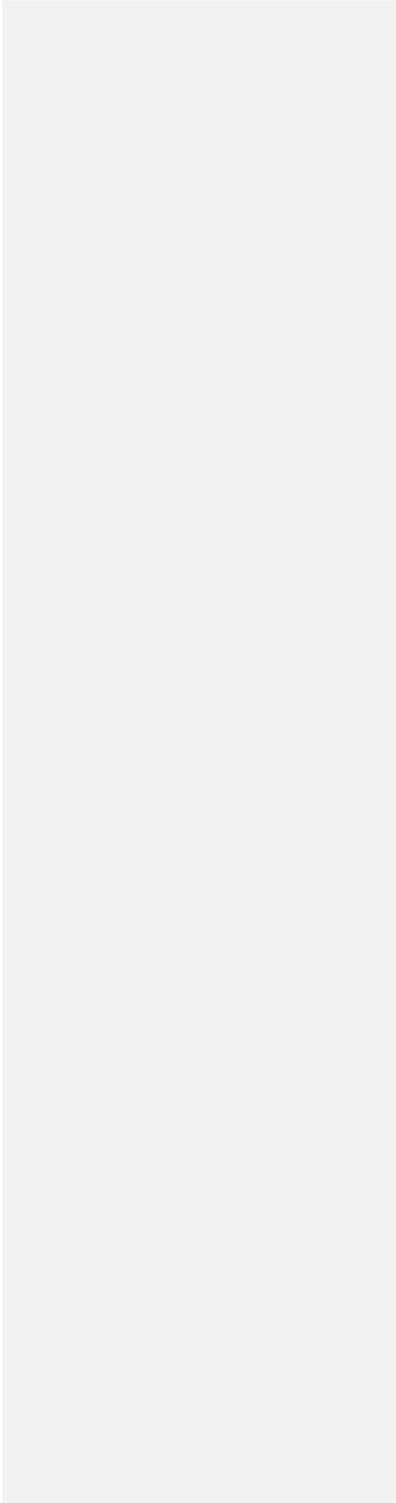
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pro nobis pro nobis ostendit vulnera  
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Sic enim Christus descendit pro nobis de celo

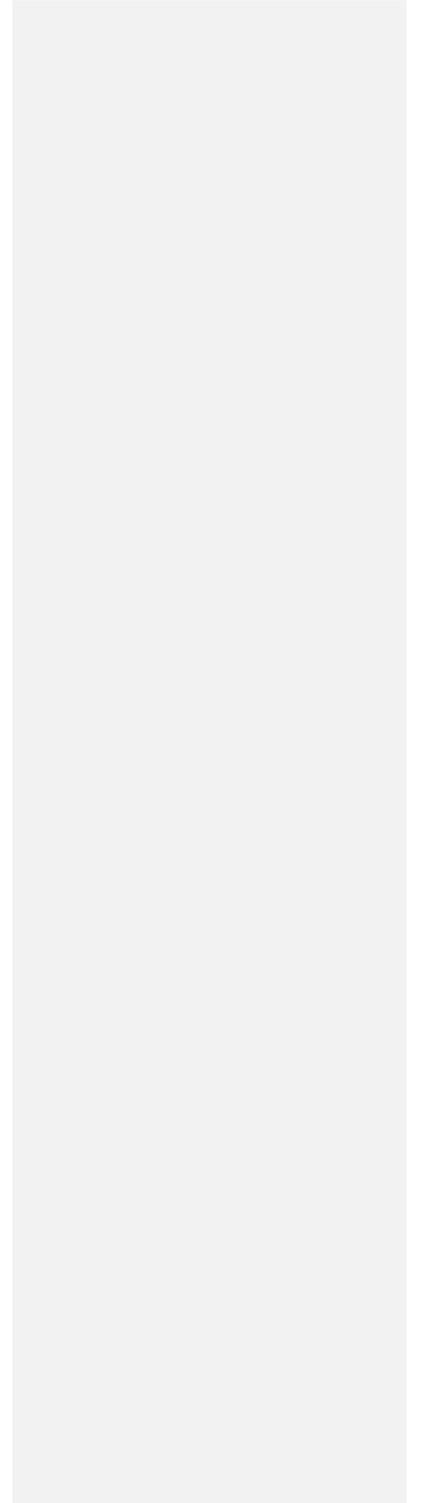






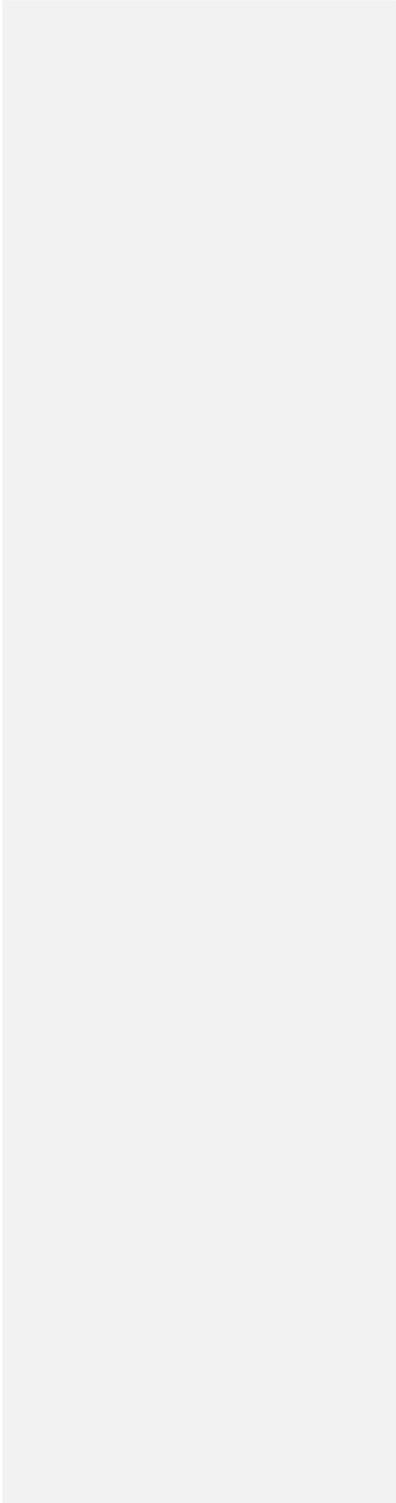


“For this thing I besought the Lord.”—2 Cor. xii. 8.





"And through a window in a basket was I let down by the wall."—2 Cor. xi. 33.





"Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them."—1 *Tim.* iv. 15.

