GOOD NEWS FOR THE INSECURE DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

ROMANS 8:31-24

1	Romans 8:31 states clearly that God is for us. What does it mean that God is for you? Is there a circumstance you are facing right now that you need to believe that God is for you?
	Have you ever felt like God was not for you? Why did you feel that way?
	List 3 ways that God has demonstrated that He is for you. Consult Psalm 27 or 56 for help.
	If Christians face all kinds of opposition and persecution, how could Paul suggest that no one can be against us?
2	How are we to live out the truth that "if God is for us, who can be against us"? If God is for us, does that mean we are to just sit back and wait for Him to do something? Read Joshua 11:5-9.
	What did God promise to do? What were the Israelites to do? Discuss the balance between trust and obedience.
3	Through the cross, God has given us His most valued possessionHis son Jesus, therefore we should not doubt that He will freely give us anything else we might need. The passage says that with Jesus God will freely give us "all things." How we define those two words is very important.
	What does "all things" mean? What can it not mean? (See Romans 8:28-29 for help).
	How does 1 Corinthians 3:21-23 help in understanding?
	♥ In what ways are you tempted to doubt that God wants to freely give you all things?
	What does a life that fully trusts God in all things look like? How is it full of freedom instead of slavery to fear?

4	How does Romans 8:32 guide us in how we pray and what we should pray for?
5	Paul says that noone can charge or condemn God's elect. What charges or condemnations have been brought against you in your life as a Christian? Which ones hurt the most?
	How should this truth guard what we say to one another in the church? How should we draw a line between being busybodies and sincerely seeking to help strengthen a person who is falling into sin?
6	Read Isaiah 50:8-9. How does this verse along with Romans 8:33-34 give you confidence?
	• How will seeking the approval of others ultimately rob us of confidence?
	PRAYER REQUESTS Whose approval do you want? God says, "In Jesus Christ, my Son, I approve you. I count you righteous. I affirm you and love you as my holy child." How should this affect our feelings about the approval or criticism of others? □ PRAYER REQUESTS
0	If Satan still "prowls around like a roaring lion" (1 Peter 5:8), how is he unable to bring a charge against God's elect or condemn them? Read Colossians 2:13-15, Hebrews 2:14 and Mark 3:27.
8	God is "for" his children. His provision for us is complete. We are certain that he will give us all we need. Meditate on this week's verses. How can you grow in your confidence of God's perfect provision for us? How can you help your brothers and sisters in Christ live with this kind of assurance?