

New year 2018. Promise Verse:

Rom. 8:28. **28**All things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to *His* purpose.

NOTHING CAN SEPARATE US FROM Christ!

This promise verse comes with great assurance and couple of conditions.

Apostle Paul not only gives us this promise Word, but also follows up with supporting questions to give us full assurance of this promise!

First question he raises is this:

Romans 8:31. 31 What then shall we say to these things?

In other words, what can we say? We ought to be speechless! There is no reason to question or doubt! There is nothing much we can argue about this truth, nor deny this truth. Bottom line is, there is no need to challenge this promise at all. There is no need to doubt this promise at all!

Second Question Paul raised in that same verse:

Romans 8:31, If God is for us, who *can be* against us?

Nothing can come between us and God! All things will work out for good. Nothing can stop us.

We see something very clear! There is no reason to fear in 2018. Enter His gates not only with thanksgiving, but with boldness also, because gates of hell cannot stop us anymore!! No demon or devil

can attack you! What are we afraid of in 2018? Enter with confidence.

Third question, Paul asked!

Romans 8:32. Can He not provide all things?

He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him over for us all, how will He not also with Him freely give us all things?

What marvelous love is this! He did not even spare His own Son, how will He hold back any blessing from us? Note the word **With Him!** In Him we receive all blessings. Whatever perfect and good gift we receive, we receive **with Him**, and we share **with Him**, and use that for His glory. Will He not give us freely all things? Note the word **Freely** also! He will be able to provide us all things free of cost. All He wants is our obedience to Him. In Christ we have it all!

Mat. 6:31-33 .**31**“Do not worry then, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear for clothing?’ **32**“For the Gentiles eagerly seek all these things; for your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. **33**“But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you. Do not be anxious about tomorrow.

God will meet every one of our earthly needs. Let us concern ourselves over our spiritual needs, We lack in so many areas such as love, faith, hope, peace and good will to all people. Let us focus on that! Why are we fretting over earthly things? Set your minds on heavenly things, not on earthly things below.

Fourth question Paul asks to affirm our promise verse! Rom. 8:33 **33**Who will bring a charge against God's elect? God is the one who justifies; (There is no accuser!)

Fifth question along the same thought: Romans 8:34. **34**who is the one who condemns? Christ Jesus is He who died, yes, rather who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ! He took all our condemnations upon Himself and paid the penalty of death on our behalf.

Romans 8:1. **1**Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus

No one can accuse us, no one can condemn us. All things indeed work out for good for those who love Him!

Sixth question: Very important question!

Rom. 8:35 **35**Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

I will add one more to this list, sickness!

There is absolutely nothing that can separate us from God's Love!

We are only conquerors through Christ in everything. There is absolutely no defeat even in death! Many thought that Death was the ultimate finality. But Jesus Christ, our Lord proved it wrong by His own resurrection!

Romans 8:37-39. **37**But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us. **38**For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, **39**nor height, nor depth,

nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Again we are assured, nothing can separate us from the love of God. God did everything for us. God called us, He justified us, and He glorified us in Christ already! We were predestined to receive this eternal love. Nothing can separate us from this love.

But there is one stumbling block to this promise! There is one thing that could separate us, from this love and cause anguish, and weeping: that is our own **stubborn self will**. Only way we could separate ourselves from Christ is through our own rebellious spirit. That evil choice could separate us. No other external things or people can separate us from the love of God.

Romans 8:6 For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the Spirit is life and peace.....

The flesh here is the self will and selfish desires. This flesh can change our focus, attention, and purpose. It can easily make our love so cold toward our God in Christ!

Remember, all things work out for Good:

For those who love God. This promise is only for those who love God. Do you love Jesus our Lord more than anything today?

And to those who are called according to His purpose! Not according to our own selfish goals and ambitions.

Let us surrender to His will and purpose and love Him more than anything so that all things may work out well for His glory and purpose.

Conclusion: Promise verse for 2018.

If you doubt this promise, then ask these questions and try to answer:

What can we say against this promise?

Who can be against us if God be for us?

Can He provide us all things? What is it that He can not Provide?

Who can accuse or condemn us?

Who can separate us from His love, and His caring relationship?

The answers to these questions should bring back faith in this promise verse!

Be bold, be strong! Enter 2018 with confidence in Christ's love for you!