

Romans 8:26-39

Prayers, Purpose & Provision

²⁶ Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. ²⁷ And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

1.

Prayers

Being Still & Knowing God

Sit Still. Be Quiet. Listen.

Doing Something

The Jesus Prayer

“O, Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, (Inhale)
have mercy on me, a sinner.” (Exhale)

Praying Over All

A.C.T.S.

Adoration - _____
Confession - _____
Thanksgiving - _____
Intercession - _____

²⁸ We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, 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 within a large family. 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.

2.

Purpose

Dispelling a Myth

Not everything happens for a reason.
God’s good work is to help us find purpose in all things.

Finding Our Purpose

Knowledge, Skills, Abilities, Personality

Prioritizing Our Actions

	Important	Not Important
Urgent	Important & Urgent	Urgent but Not Important
Not Urgent	Important but Not Urgent	Neither Important Nor Urgent

³¹ What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? ³² He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? ³³ Who will bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. ³⁵ Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted 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 convinced 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.

3.

Provision

Saying Nothing

Sometimes, silent companionship says more than all our words.

Asking Ourselves

Who Are We? - _____
What Do We Have? - _____
What Do We Need? - _____

Nothing Can Separate Us

“No Thing Can Separate Us!”