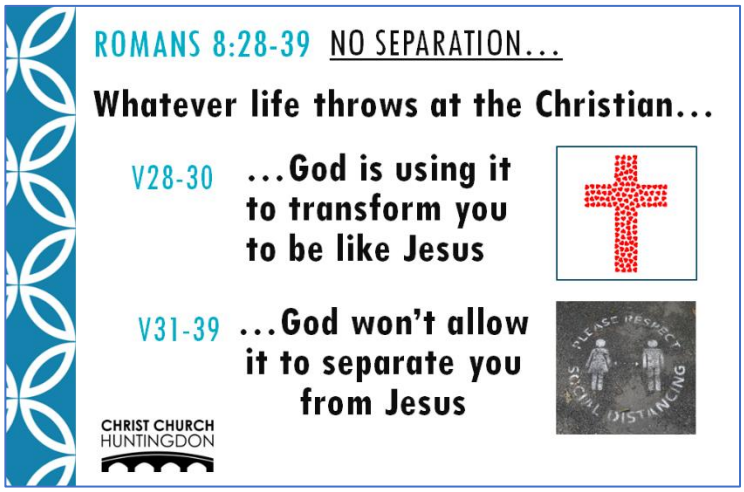
Dig Deeper on Romans 8:28-39 for personal reading and Life Groups…



Here are some questions to help dig further into the last part of Romans 8…

1. How is v28 very helpful in giving us perspective on our suffering (when taken with v29-30)? Why might it not be the best place to start when someone is in the midst of suffering? When might it be helpful?

2. In which ways/situations would you most like to grow in Christlikeness? You might like to look at the following verses for a few qualities to pray, knowing that God is working your circumstances to conform you to be more like Jesus…
    a. Romans 12:9-21
    b. Col 3:12-14
    c. Phil 4:8, Galatians 5:22

3. What are the theological truths regarding Jesus that Paul turns to in v31-39 for reassurance that God is for us and that nothing can separate us from God's love? How can we know for sure that the future God has promised will really materialise?

4. How could you minister to a fearful Christian on their death bed with this passage?

5. *[Optional... What do the following passages teach about predestination/election?*
    a. Ephesians 1:3-14
    b. Romans 9:6-24
    c. Romans 11:1-7 (these are difficult passages that we will come back to)

    What questions remain for you on the topic, and how can you approach them (see also the resources below)? What can you be sure about even if questions remain?]

Some resources ….

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- **Overview of Romans** at Bibleproject.com here and here.
- Here is the script of a talk by Charlie on **predestination**. Do come and chat to him if you have questions. Here is Article XVII of the Anglican 39 Articles on the subject. For those who want a deeper dive, RC Sproul's teaching is here and book here.
- 6 minutes **podcast** from Sinclair Ferguson on Rom 8:28-30 here.