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Romans 8 : 38 – 39

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Persuaded - Influenced or drawn to an opinion or determination by argument, advice or reasons suggested; convinced; induced

‘peitho’ – to assent (to evidence or authority)

How can Paul be so sure?

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Romans 8 : 31

“What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?”

Romans 8 : 18 – 20, 28

“...the sufferings of this present time...work together for good...”

John 15 : 18 – 20

“...the world hates you...a servant is not greater than his master...”

John 16 : 31 – 33

“...In the world you will have tribulation; but...I have overcome the world.”

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Romans 8 : 32

“He who did not spare His own Son...shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?”

Matthew 7 : 9 – 11

“...how much more will you Father...give good things to those who ask Him!”

“Every good...and...perfect gift...” James 1 : 17

John 3 : 16

“For God so loved...that He gave His...Son...”

II Peter 1 : 3 – 4

“as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness...”

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Romans 8 : 33 – 34

“Who shall bring a charge...It is God who justifies...who is he who condemns? It is Christ...who...makes intercession for us.”

“Who can call us to give an account, who can sentence us to death? Is it not God alone?”

Romans 1 : 32

Romans 2 : 5

II Thessalonians 1 : 5

“...the righteous judgment of God...”

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Romans 8 : 35 – 37

“Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?...we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.”

John 16 : 33

“...I have overcome the world.”

I Corinthians 15 : 50 – 57

We will overcome – corruptibility, mortality

“O Death, where is your sting?”

‘hupemikao’ – to vanquish beyond, that is, gain a decisive victory

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Is Paul stating that nothing can separate us from God?

No

death, life, angels, principalities, power, things present,
things to come, height, depth, any created thing

All of these are external forces

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So what can separate us from the Love of God?

Doubt

Anxiety

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Isaiah 59 : 1 – 2

Only you can separate yourself from God.