

2nd Sunday of Lent: Reflection on Rom 8.31-37

What obstacles may prevent us from appreciating God's majesty and presence in our life? Definitely it's sin and unbelief. Who Could Be Against Us If God Is for Us? Paul's message in the second reading offers a fresh interpretation of the assurance that God has not abandoned "us" and is, in fact, actively advancing our cause in the past, present, and future.

We frequently endure a period of suffering in this life, particularly if we are persecuted for our faith. We grumble while we wait, and we encounter opposition to both our message and our Christian lifestyle. Sometimes we work under scary or inept managers, or we end up in jobs that don't progress. We make sacrifices now, like as putting in long hours at work, attending classes after work, taking on low-paying internships, and relocating abroad in search of employment, that we think will pay off in the future but may never materialize. Moreover, economic cycles, rules, or dishonest acts by powerful individuals we never ever see could cause us to lose our jobs. These things can all cause us serious harm. However, they are unable to defeat us. God is your loving father, so you can face whatever that hell throws at you with confidence because he is a nice father. Furthermore, we encounter ever-increasing levels of serenity and assurance from God as we mature in our faith. Actually, since we rely on God rather than ourselves for authority, we are able to face anybody and anything.

According to Paul's affirmations, we are always accompanied by God's love in Christ, regardless of the obstacles we confront at work or the complexities and difficulties we have with coworkers or superiors. In addition to providing us hope for eventual physical restoration, the love of God in Christ serves as a stabilizing influence during hardship now. Furthermore, the agony we endure now and the future we anticipate are changed because of God's faithfulness in raising of Jesus from the dead.