

# *East Side Church of God*

## *Life Notes*

**Chosen to Choose: Victim or Victor**  
**October 4, 2009**

**Text: Romans 8:31-39**

**God Promise:** God loves us so much that He sacrificed His own Son so we could be victors over our sins rather than victims of our sins.

*What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? – Romans 8:31-32 (ESV)*

**Victory Premise #1:** Since Jesus died for us *no one* else and *nothing* else can bring a valid charge against us.

*Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. –Romans 8:33 (ESV)*

**Victory Premise #2:** Since Jesus died for us *no one* else and *nothing* else can condemn us for our sins.

*Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword? As it is written, “For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered.” No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. –Romans 8:34-37 (ESV)*

**Victory Premise #3:** Since Jesus died for us *no one* else and *nothing* else can separate us from the love God has for us.

*For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, 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. –Romans 8:38-39 (ESV)*