

Blowout Winners

Romans 8:37

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

Paul is addressing a group Christian Romans. Their situation was very dire and they were threatened on every side.

The word “conquerors” means “to prevail completely.” Paul literally says that they and we will be “hyper-victorious” or “super-conquerors.” When difficult and scary situations surround us we can be “blowout winners” because God loves us. He loved us so much that he died for us. That makes us blowout winners no matter the situation. In sports when one team totally dominates another and the score is really far apart it is called a blowout.

How great is the contrast between the trials and tribulations of this life and the glorious future in God’s very presence! How vast the difference between the confident faith that affirms “we are more than conquerors” and the feeble hearts we often have at the moment the storms of life strike us. Yet no matter how weak we may be, we are confident of victory, not because of our own strength, but through the power of “him who loved us” and who conquered all, even death, for us. Years ago Church Father Karl Barth said, “in his love our love celebrates its victory.” It is in our very defeat, in our weakness, and in our time of greatest need that the victory of Christ Jesus, who died, rose, and intercedes at God’s right hand for us, aids us most.

Life these days can also be very scary. Knowing that the Lord who saved us from everlasting life in hell gives us hope. That hope will never disappoint. That hope already makes us undisputed winners.

Prayer: Dear Lord, thank you for making me a total winner where my salvation is concerned. Amen