

Romans Overview

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- Doxology and Devotion: You could not have been more of a sinner when God saved you, so you cannot be more secure than you are now in the Spirit. Live like sin is dead to you because you are alive in God's love!

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- Doxology and Devotion: You are saved because God said He would save you, and God keeps 100% of His promises 100% of the time. Marvel at Him and give Him all the credit!

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- Doxology and Devotion: God empowers you with material and spiritual blessings so that you can serve others and glorify Him. Let brotherly love flow from you in patience, deference, generosity, hospitality, and affection!

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