

Safe and Secure

Confidence in Chaos (Week 2)

LifeNotes

TALK IT OVER

Main Idea

Since I am safest in the security of Jesus, I can have confidence, even in chaotic times.

Key Scriptures

Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they offspring of Abraham? So am I. Are they servants of Christ? I am a better one—I am talking like a madman—with far greater labors, far more imprisonments, with countless beatings, and often near death.

Five times I received at the hands of the Jews the forty lashes less one. Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I was stoned. Three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I was adrift at sea; on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from robbers, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brothers; in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. 2 Corinthians 11:22-27

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. Romans 8:1

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. Romans 8:18-19

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 8:37-39

The Confident Lifestyle of a Secure Christian

1. Leverage your power and privilege for others.
2. Sacrifice your life for the sake of the Gospel.
3. Make Jesus Tangible.

But my life is worth nothing to me unless I use it for finishing the work assigned me by the Lord Jesus—the work of telling others the Good News about the wonderful grace of God. Acts 20:24

Start talking.

- Aside from Jesus, in what do you find the most safety and security?
- How has your sense of safety and security been impacted over the past 4 months? How have you responded?

Start thinking.

- What stood out to you from Paul's list of persecutions in 2 Corinthians 11? Which would've been the hardest to deal with for you?
- Read 2 Corinthians 12:10. What does Paul mean when he says, "For when I am weak, then I am strong?"
- As you've read Romans 8 this week, what key truths have you found most encouraging?
- As you've read Romans 8 this week, what key truths do you find the hardest to believe?

Start sharing.

- How have you seen people leverage their privilege and power for your well-being?
- Pastor Ryan said that the difference between recklessness and confidence is often our perspective. Do you agree or disagree?
- What's your greatest fear in life?

Start doing.

- What would it look like for you to leverage your privilege and power for others in the coming weeks?
- How is God calling you to sacrifice your life for the sake of others?

Closing prayer.

Jesus, thank you for leveraging your privilege and power for my sake. Thank you for living the life that I could never live and dying the death that I deserve, so that I could be made right before God. Help me to live confidently in the safety and security found in you. Help me to understand that I am fully loved and that my future with you is steadfast and immovable. Help me to live boldly and confidently as I follow after you.