

becoming  
who you are



**“Free From Fear”**

**(Part 1)**

**Romans 8:31-34**



## “O Love, That Will Not Let Me Go”

O Love that will not let me go,  
I rest my weary soul in thee;  
I give thee back the life I owe,  
that in thine ocean depths its flow  
May richer, fuller be.



**George Matheson**  
27 Mar 1842 – 28 Aug 1906



## “O Love, That Will Not Let Me Go”

O Light that foll'west all my way,  
I yield my flick'ring torch to thee;  
My heart restores its borrowed ray,  
that in thy sunshine's blaze its day  
May brighter, fairer be.



**George Matheson**  
27 Mar 1842 – 28 Aug 1906



## “O Love, That Will Not Let Me Go”

O Joy that seekest me through pain,  
I cannot close my heart to thee;  
I trace the rainbow through the rain,  
and feel the promise is not vain,  
That morn shall tearless be.



**George Matheson**  
27 Mar 1842 – 28 Aug 1906



## “O Love, That Will Not Let Me Go”

O Cross that liftest up my head,  
I dare not ask to fly from thee;  
I lay in dust life's glory dead,  
and from the ground  
there blossoms red  
Life that shall endless be.



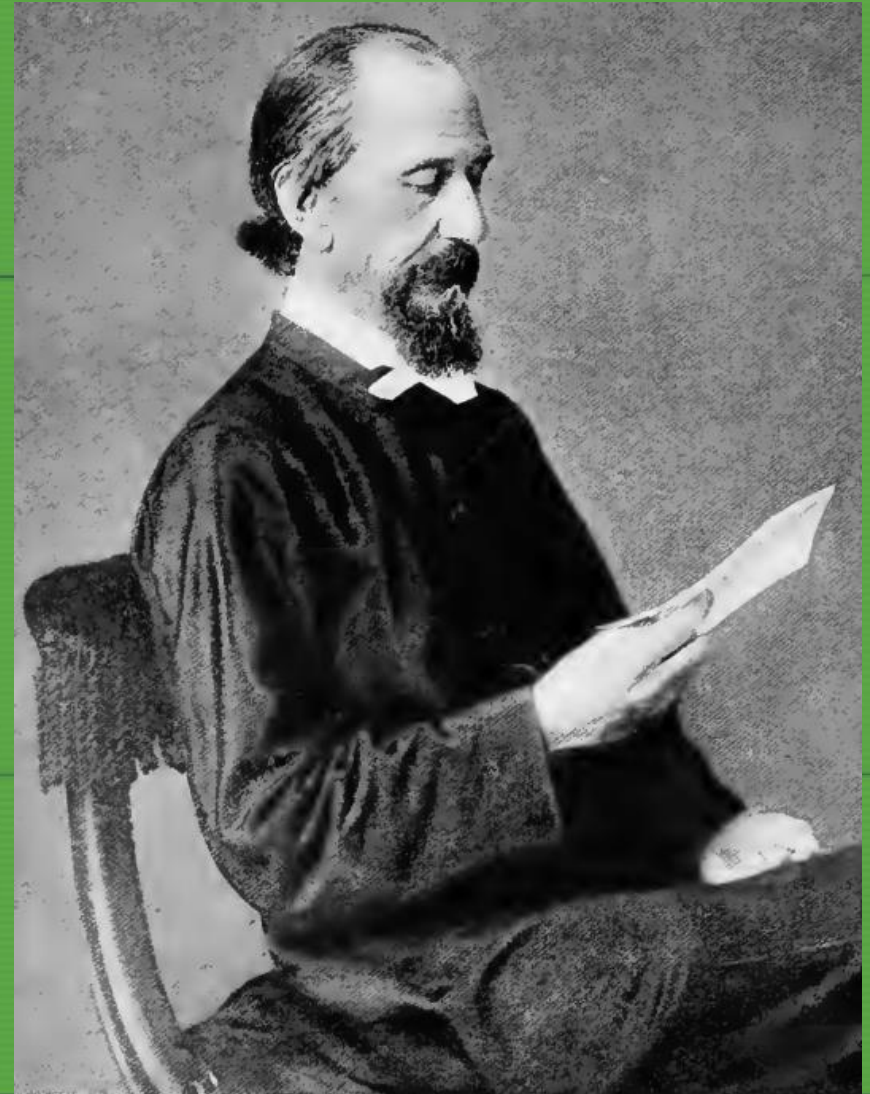
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## ***Romans 8 Outline***

1. We are free from final judgment (vs. 1-4)
2. We are free from final defeat (vs. 5-17)
3. We are free from final discouragement  
(vs. 18-30)
4. We are free from final fear (vs. 31-39)



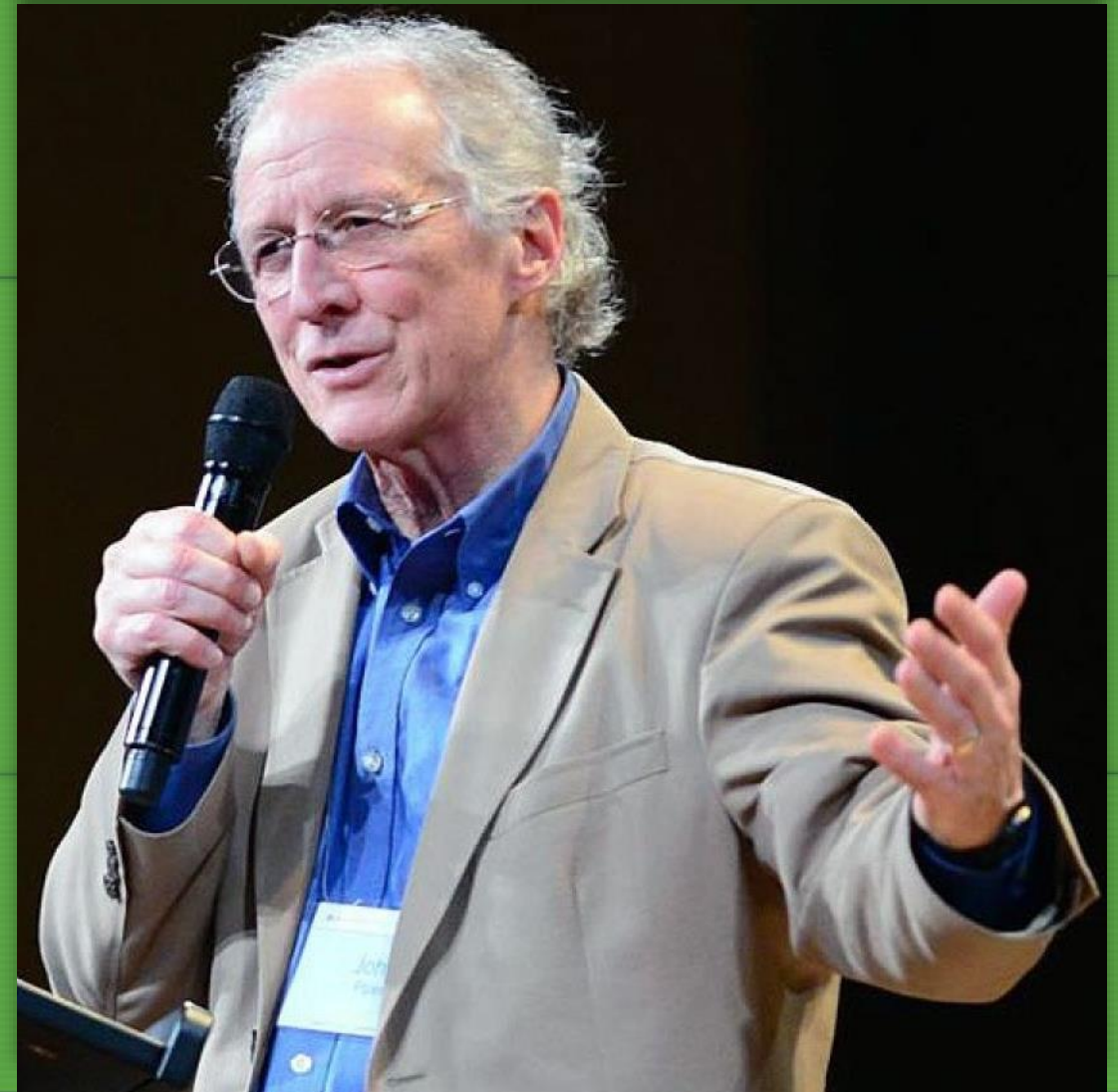
“This is the triumphant  
conclusion to the  
consolation which had  
been unfolded in the  
preceding verses.  
... It is the highest rung in  
the ladder of comfort,  
which,  
...has been mounting.”



**Andrew Murray**  
9 May 1828 - 18 Jan 1917

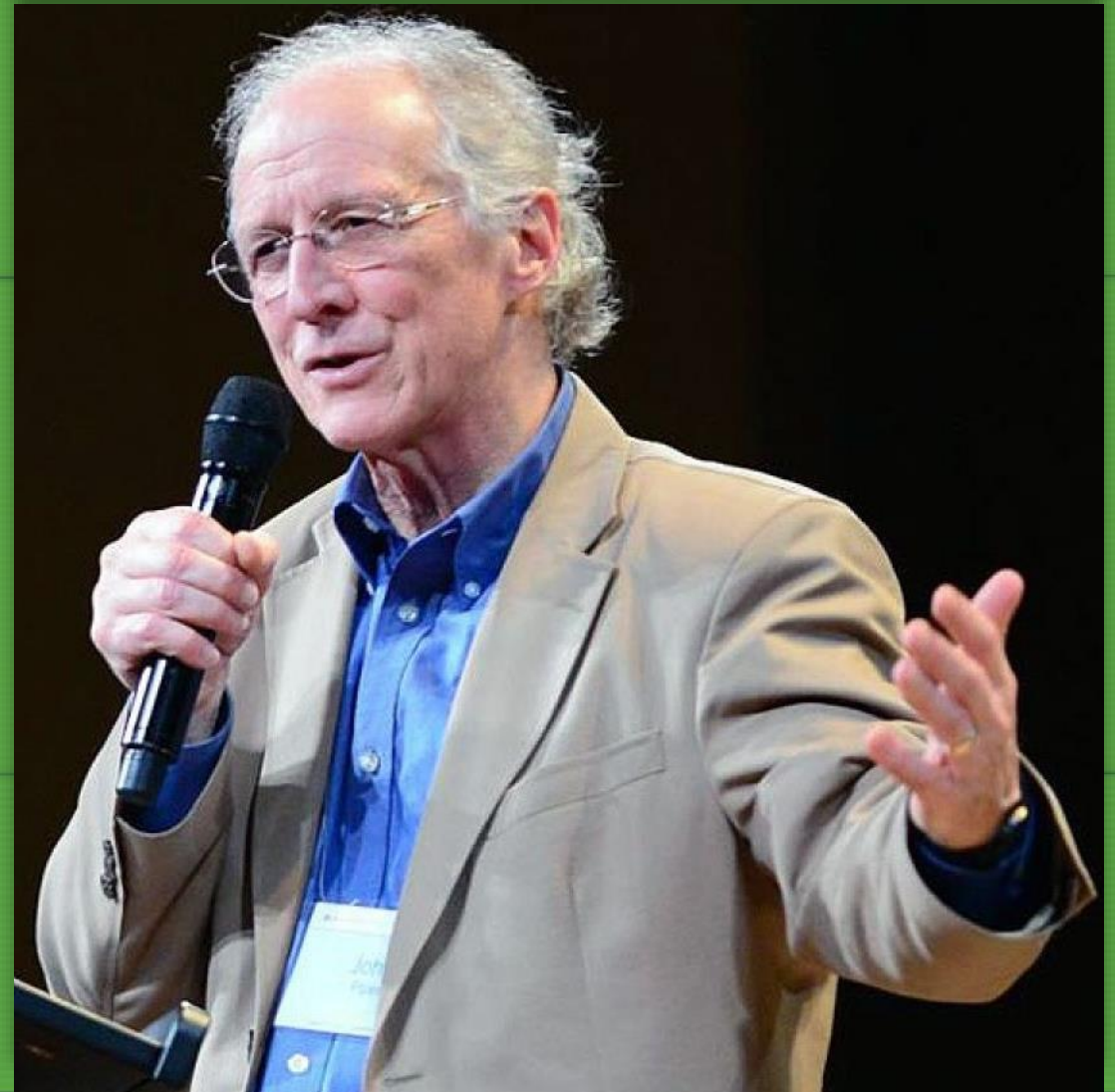


“I know nothing greater  
in human language than  
the eighth chapter of  
Paul’s letter to the  
Romans. It is the  
towering chapter of the  
towering book of the  
towering apostle.



**John Piper**  
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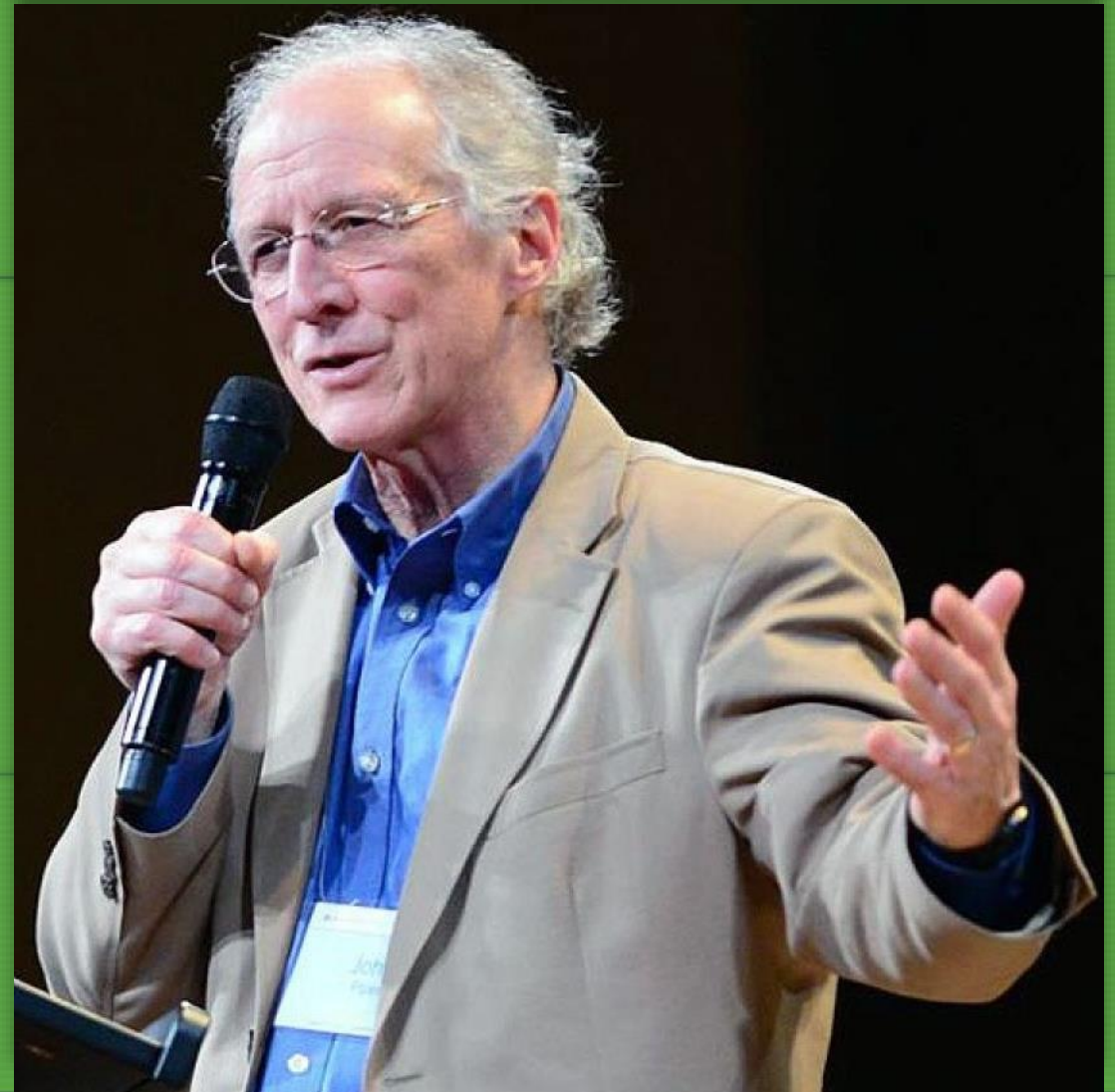
The God of Romans 8,  
the Christ and cross of  
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unsurpassed in  
greatness and worth in  
all the world.



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Even the logic of  
Romans 8 is more  
precious than life.”



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# Key Point:

*The love of God  
for us is*

unquenchable,

unstoppable *and* eternal.



## ***5 Questions for Our Text***

1. Who is against us? (vs. 31)
2. How much is God capable of giving us?  
(vs. 32)
3. Who justified us? (vs. 33)
4. Who condemns us? (vs. 34)
5. Who can stand between God and us?  
(vs. 35-39)

## ***5 Questions for Our Text***

**1. Who is against us? (vs. 31)**

- The devil (I Pet 5:8)
- Demons and demonic influences (Eph 6:11-13)
- Our Sinful Flesh
- Non-Christians
- The Worldly System (I John 2:16)
- Cults
- Your Heart or Conscience (I John 3:21)



<sup>4</sup> The Lord is high above all nations,  
and his glory above the heavens!

<sup>5</sup> Who is like the Lord our God,  
who is seated on high,

<sup>6</sup> who looks far down

on the heavens and the earth?

**Psalm 113:4-6**

## ***How Is He Above All?***

1. He is physically above all.
2. He is universally above all.
3. He is theologically above all.
4. He is incomparably above all.
5. He is nationally above all.



<sup>6</sup> And now my head shall be lifted up  
above my enemies all around me,  
and I will offer in His tent  
sacrifices with shouts of joy;  
I will sing and make melody  
to the Lord.

**Psalm 27:6**

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“Would God do less for believers after they are saved than He did for them prior to salvation? Would He do less for His children than He did for His enemies...



**John MacArthur**  
19 June 1939 - Present

Would He  
turn His back on us  
after we have been  
cleansed from sin  
and made righteous  
in His sight?”



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19 June 1939 - Present



1<sup>3</sup> Christ redeemed us  
from the curse of the law  
by becoming a curse for us -  
for it is written,  
“Cursed is everyone  
who is hanged on a tree”

**Galatians 3:13**

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<sup>21</sup> For our sake  
He made Him to be sin  
who knew no sin, so that in Him  
we might become the righteousness  
of God.

**II Corinthians 5:21**

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<sup>31</sup> because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.

**Acts 17:31**



**Who is against you?**

**God and your sin**

**How much is God  
capable of giving?**

**Salvation**

**Who has justified  
you?**

**No one...yet**

**Who condemns you?**

**God**