


A person wearing a pink shirt and a blue cap is climbing a large, light-colored rock formation. The person is positioned on the left side of the frame, facing away from the camera and slightly to the right. The rock face is textured and appears to be made of sandstone or a similar material. The background is a clear, bright blue sky with a lens flare effect in the upper right corner. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image, set against a black background.

**Romans: The
Good News of
God's Plan to Put
People Right
Through Faith**

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**God Adopts Us
(Romans 8:9-17)**



A man with short dark hair and glasses, wearing a blue short-sleeved button-down shirt and tan cargo pants, is kneeling on a dirt path. He has his hands clasped in prayer and his head bowed. The background shows a calm lake, some trees, and a cloudy sky. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

**1. The Key is
the Spirit of
Christ in Us
(8:9-11)**

I HAVE BEEN
**CRUCIFIED
WITH CHRIST;**

IT IS NO LONGER I WHO LIVE,
BUT CHRIST LIVES IN ME;

AND THE LIFE WHICH I
NOW LIVE IN THE FLESH
I LIVE BY FAITH
IN THE SON OF GOD,
**WHO LOVED ME
& GAVE HIMSELF
FOR ME.**

GALATIANS 2:20

“If you are believers, the risen Christ dwells within you. It is true, on the one hand, that your body is still subject to temporal death which is the consequence of sin; but, on the other hand, the Spirit who has taken up his abode in you, the living and life-giving Spirit of Christ, imparts to you that eternal life - the result of justification.



**2. God's Gift
And Our
Obligation?
(8:12-13)**

A New Life

- We need to put into effect the new life God gives
- This responsibility is itself empowered by the Holy Spirit
- Paul never suggests we have to stop sinning completely in order to inherit eternal life

"Without the Spirit of God,
we can do nothing.
We are as ships without wind.
We are useless."

- C.H. Spurgeon

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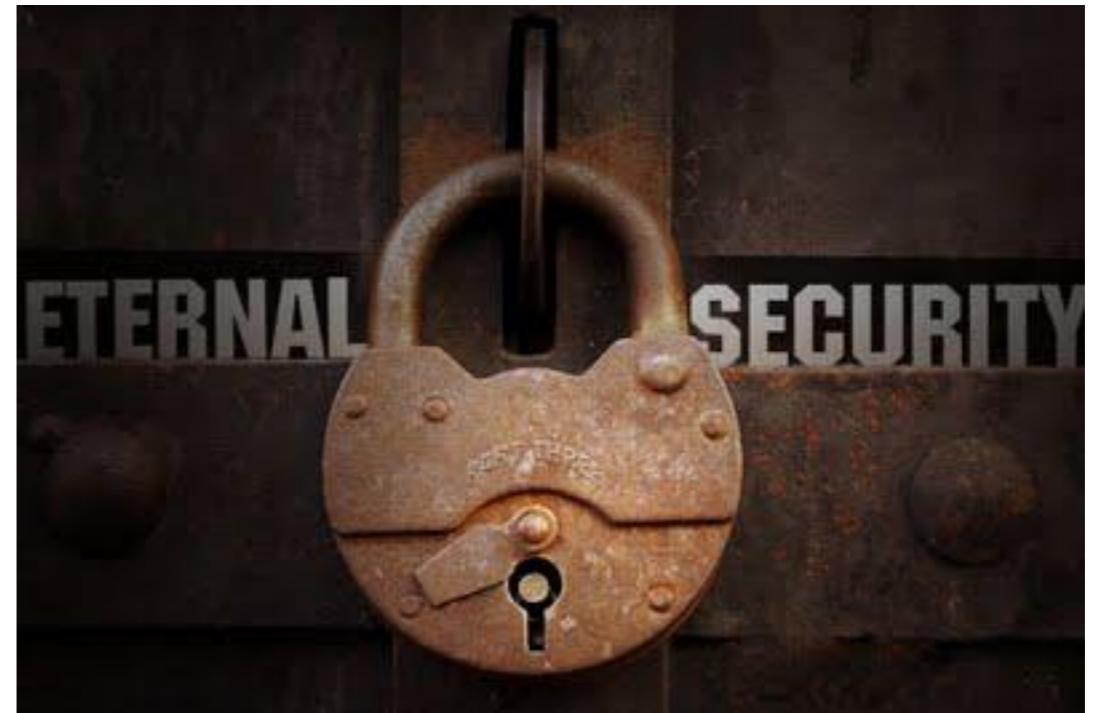


**the one who practices sin is of the devil;
for the devil has sinned from the
beginning. The Son of God appeared for
this purpose, to destroy the works of the
devil.**

— 1 John 3:8 (NASB®)

Calvinism vs. Arminianism

- Calvinism - a person who is truly saved can never get to the point of falling permanently into a lifestyle of sin and losing their salvation
- Arminianism - A saved person might be so tempted that they fail to progress in the Christian life and cease to be “in Christ” and lose their salvation



“Security without responsibility breeds passivity, but responsibility without security leads to anxiety.”

–Douglas J. Moo

“The believer’s once-for-all death to the law of sin does not free him from the necessity of mortifying sin in his members; it makes it necessary and possible for him to do so.”

—John Murray

A man in a blue shirt and khaki pants is kneeling on a dirt path by a body of water, with his hands clasped in prayer. The background shows a calm lake and some trees under a cloudy sky.

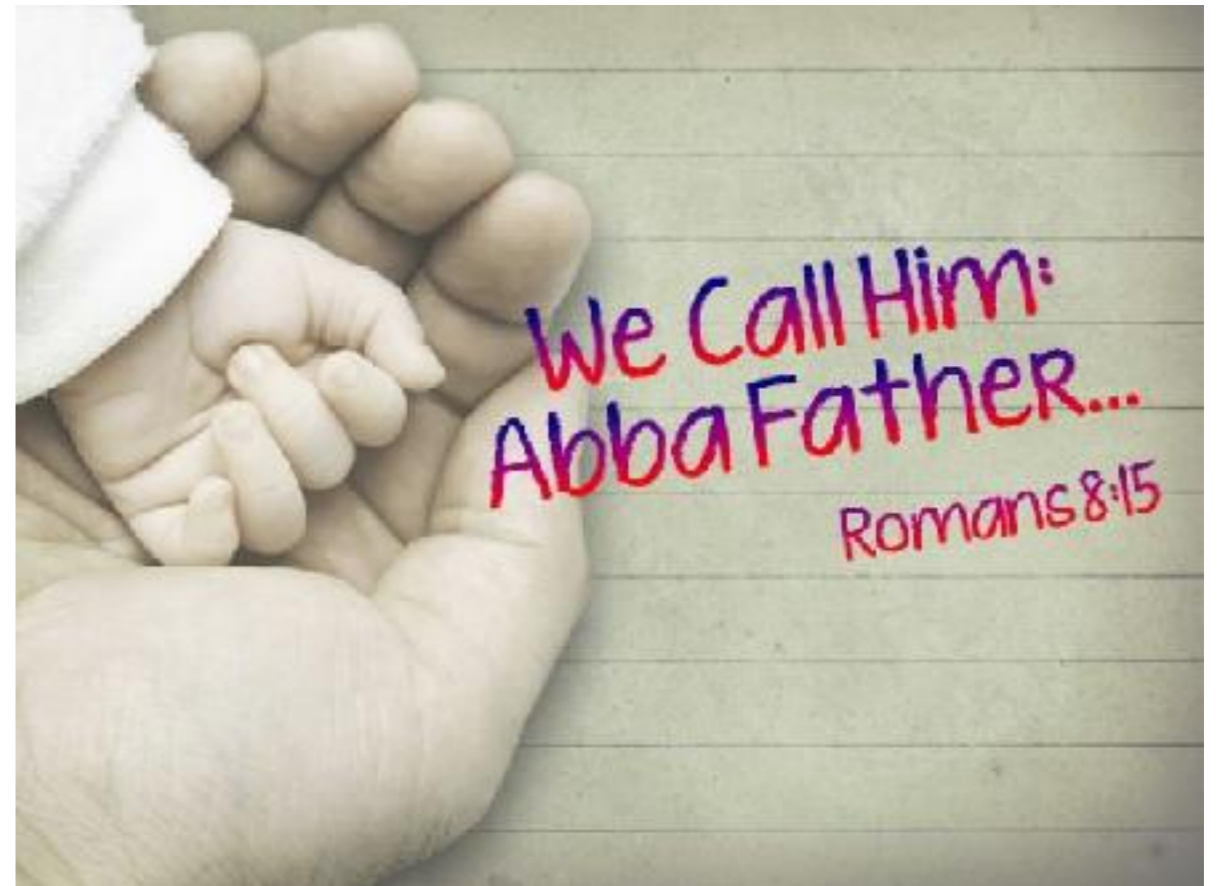
2. The Holy Spirit Confirms That We Are God's Children (8:14-17)

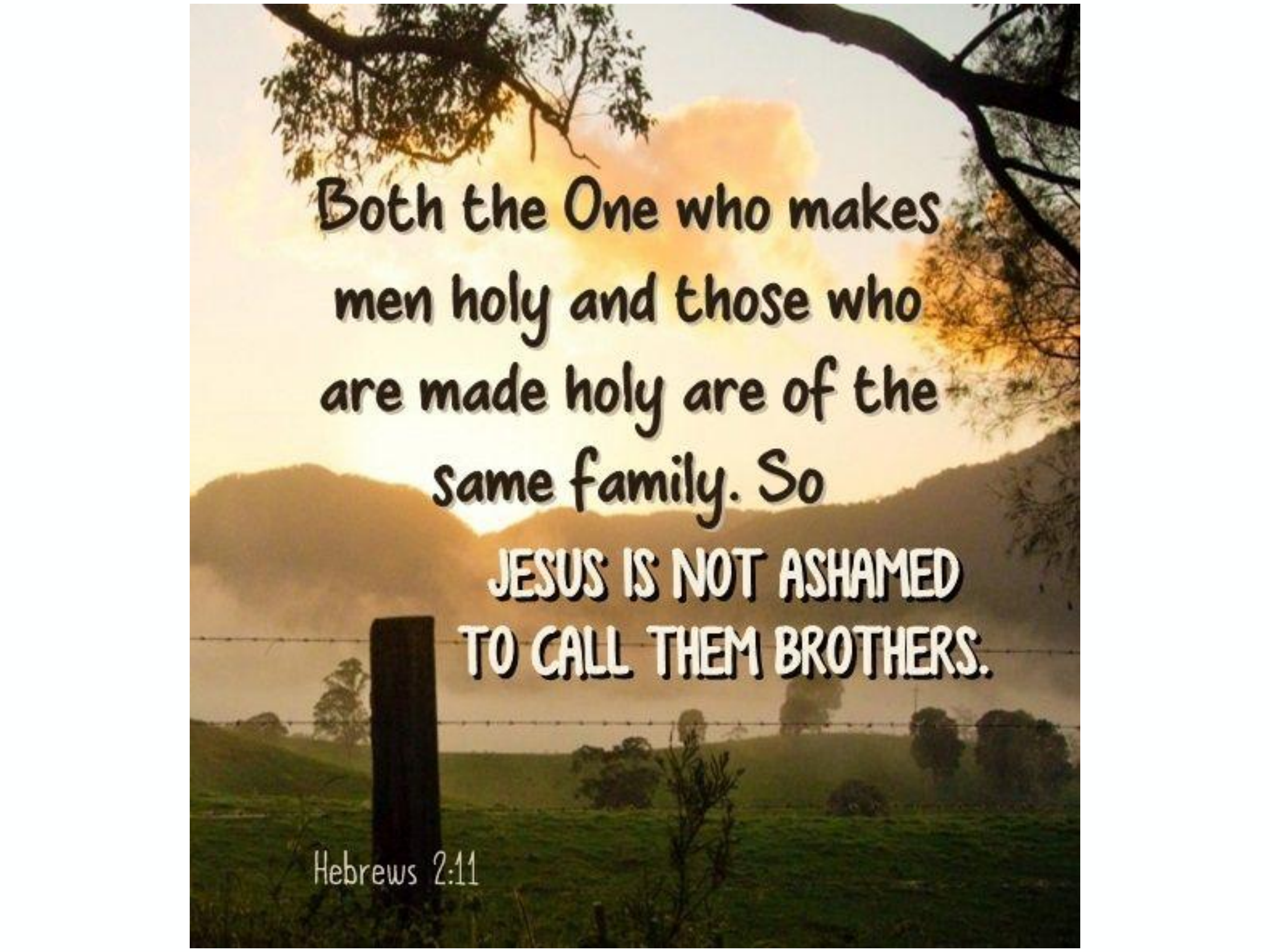
“Father,” “is but a little word, and yet notwithstanding it comprehendeth all things. . . . Although I be oppressed with anguish and terror on every side, and seem to be forsaken and utterly cast away from thy presence, yet am I thy child, and thou art my Father for Christ’s sake: I am beloved because of the Beloved. Wherefore this little word, Father, conceived effectually in the heart, passeth all the eloquence of Demosthenes, Cicero, and of the most eloquent rhetoricians that ever were in the world.

–Martin Luther

God Our Father, Christ Our Brother

- God Leads Us Daily - 8:14
- Intimacy with God - 8:15
- Assurance of Belonging to God - 8:16
- Reminder of our Value to God - 8:17



A scenic landscape at sunset or sunrise. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and light blue. In the foreground, there's a green field with a wooden fence post and a wire. In the background, there are rolling hills or mountains. The text is overlaid on the sky and hills.

Both the One who makes
men holy and those who
are made holy are of the
same family. So

**JESUS IS NOT ASHAMED
TO CALL THEM BROTHERS.**

Hebrews 2:11



HOW
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