



# A LOVE STORY

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<sup>8</sup> But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup> Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him. <sup>10</sup> For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.

# I. SOME

Romans 5:7 For scarcely for a righteous man will **one** die: yet peradventure for a good man **some** would even dare to die.

## A. Partial in Scope

1. The soldier no doubt was willing, but limited in foreknowledge.

2. 500,000 fought in the Battle of the Bulge, 19,000 were killed.

## B. Partial in Satisfaction

1. Scarcely for the righteous. *Molis*: with difficulty, hardly; not easily, very rarely.
2. Some for a good man. *Tacha*: perhaps.  
Dare: "to be sufficiently courageous to." **Webster**

## II. ALL

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### A. Complete in Scope

1. Jesus had full knowledge of the requirements of His mission.
2. He left a place far better for a place far worse.

**John 1:1-14** In the **beginning** was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

<sup>2</sup> The same was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup> All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

<sup>4</sup> In him was life; and the life was the light of men. <sup>5</sup> And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.....<sup>14</sup>

And the Word **was made flesh**, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

## B. Complete in Satisfaction.

1. Without strength. *Asthenēs*. Feeble, unable to cure themselves.

2. Ungodly. *Asebēs*. Destitute of reverential awe towards God.

3. Sinners. *Hamartōlos*. Devoted to sin, especially wicked.

### III. MUCH MORE

Romans 5:9-10 **Much more** then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him. <sup>10</sup> For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, **much more**, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.

#### A. Abundant in Scope

1. Beyond salvation to security of salvation.
2. Effectual beyond His death to His living.

## B. Abundant in Satisfaction.

1. This is a love that demands a response.
2. This is the love story of the ages.

**Romans 8:35-39** Who shall separate us from the **love of Christ?** shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? <sup>36</sup> As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. <sup>37</sup> Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through **him that loved us.** <sup>38</sup> For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, <sup>39</sup> Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from **the love of God**, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.