

THURSDAY, APRIL 16



Romans 8:35–39 ♦ Psalm 94:12–19

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors  
through Him who loved us. *Romans 8:37*

## Secret Agent

**H**ave you ever felt like a secret agent? I have. To the outsider, I may seem fairly normal. If anything, I'm dismissible, even foolish. Yes, believers in Jesus are often ignored or mocked or even persecuted in this world. It probably seems futile that anyone would continue to suffer for the faith.

But there's another side to my identity. I am a devil-fighting, mercy-spreading, Gospel-sharing warrior. The devil knows who I am, and he hates me. But the One who is inside me is greater than the one in the world (1 John 4:4). The victory is won in Christ, and His Spirit lives inside me. I am more than a conqueror.

"My heart from care is free, No trouble troubles me"  
(*LSB* 467:5).

What ill can harm me? Nothing can separate me from the love of God, so no weapon hurled against me can prevail.

Oh, sure. There will be pain. There will be battle scars. But I walk this world with eyes on eternity, an agent of God who goes where He sends, equipped with every good gift.

Fellow believer, our God is with us. Our mission is clear. Let's live our lives in the glow of Jesus' resurrection and the certainty of a new creation. In our Savior, let's do this.

*Lord, You have conquered all. Lead me to  
work Your will until the day You return. Amen.*