


# **Elevator Pitch**

**The Good News in One Chapter**

a sermon series in Romans 8

**Written into a different Story**



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*Let it go. Let it go.*

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“Elsa”

*Let it go. Let it go.*

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*There's adventure out there!*

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“Ellie”

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*It takes a great deal of bravery  
to stand up to your enemies,  
but a great deal more to stand  
up to your friends*

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“Dumbledore”

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*Life doesn't give us purpose.  
We give life purpose.*

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“The Flash”

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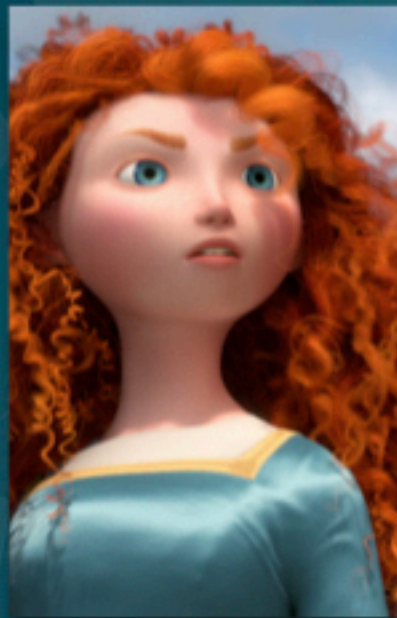
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*Our fate lives within us, you  
only have to be brave enough  
to see it.*

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“Merida”

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*Sometimes we have to go deep  
inside ourselves to solve our  
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“Patrick Star”

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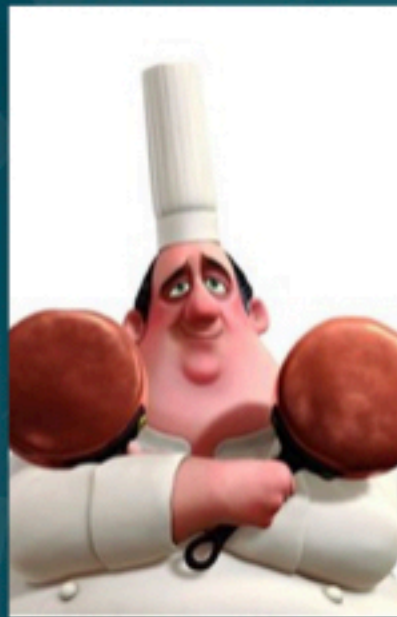
*You must not let anyone define  
your limits because of where  
you come from. Your only limit  
is your soul.*

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“Chef G”

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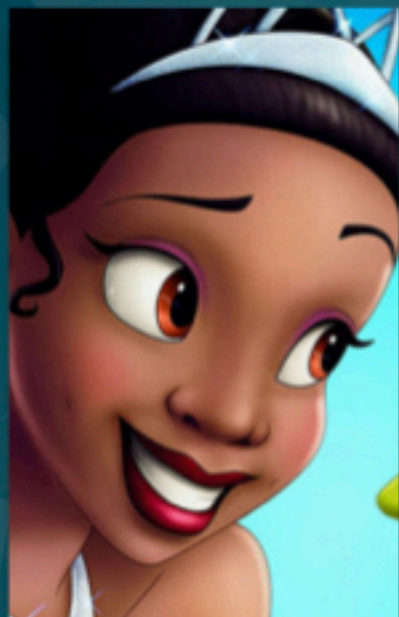
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*Fairy tales can come true. You gotta make them happen, it all depends on you.*

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“Tiana”


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Adrian Chiles

*I have always liked going into bookshops. When I was a young man, the mind, body and spirit section was tiny. But now it's a whole wall in some shops. That's what it's all about—we all want the same thing.*

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*Or which one of you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a serpent? If you being evil know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly father give good gifts to those who ask him.*

**Matthew 7:9-11**

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*If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him*

**Luke 11:13**

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*If you love me, you will obey my commandments. Then I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you forever– the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept, because it does not see him or know him. But you know him, because he resides with you and will be in you.*

**John 14:15-17**

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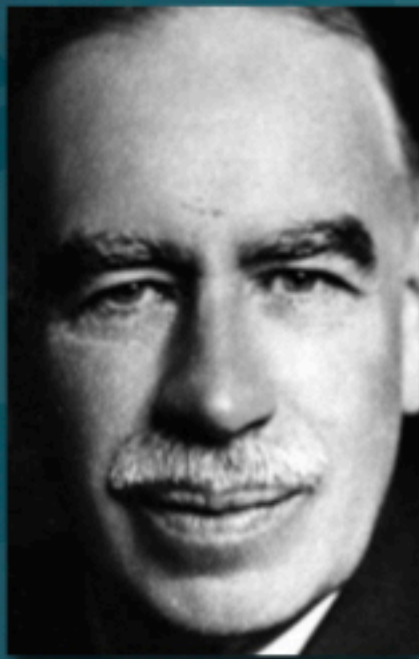
*For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace*

**vv. 5-6**

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John Maynard Keynes

*We repudiated entirely customary morals, conventional and traditional wisdom. We recognized no moral obligation on us, no inner sanction, to conform or to obey. Before heaven we claimed to be our own judge in our own case.*

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James K A Smith

*...without further orientation or goals...my choice is just another means by which I'm trying to look for satisfaction. Insofar as I keep choosing to try to find satisfaction in finite, created things--whether it's sex or adoration or beauty of power--I'm going to be caught in a cycle where I'm more and more disappointed in those things and more dependent on those things.*

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*I keep choosing things with diminishing returns, and when that becomes habitual, and eventually necessary, then I forfeit my ability to choose. The thing has me now.*

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Tom Brady


*I know I still have more to prove.*

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*For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.*

**vv. 7-8**

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George Eliot


*We are all of us born in moral stupidity, taking the world as an udder to feed our supreme selves*

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Ricky Gervais

*Remember, they're just jokes.  
We're all gonna die soon and  
there's no sequel, so remember  
that*

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*...if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.*

vv. 10-11

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Tom Wright

*We sometimes speak of someone who's been very ill as a shadow of their former self. If Paul is right, a Christian in this present life is a mere shadow of his or her future self*

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*[He] . . . was delivered up for our trespasses  
and raised for our justification.*

**Romans 4:25**

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*It is a terrible and terrifying thing to know what you want to be and then realize you're the only one standing in your way—to want with every fiber of your soul to be someone different, to escape the “you” you’ve made of yourself, only to fall back into the self you hate, over and over and over again.*

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Leslie Jamison

*I needed to believe in something stronger than my willpower*

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Augustine

*'Our hearts and our thoughts are not in our power.' Everyone who is humble and genuinely religious recognizes that this is entirely true. . . .Who is so happy as one who always ascends in his heart? But without divine assistance who can make it happen?*

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*So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.*

**vv. 12-13**

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