## Nothing We Can Do!

## **Description**

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Romans 3:21-31

â??Daddy, can I give Austin my piano keyboard?â?• eight-year-old Elizabeth asked. Elizabeth is a giving child. Most of the time it stems from an affectionate heart, at other times I worry itâ??s because she wants others, such as her friend Austin, to like her.

The poor child comes by it naturally. After all, I have been a people-pleaser from the word â??Go.â?• I like it when those around me are happy. It is hard for me to do unpopular thingsâ??like say â??noâ?• â??because I want everyone to like me.

Sometimes I catch that attitude slipping into my relationship with God. I feel I have to do good things to earn his favor, his forgiveness, and his love. Fortunately, I couldnâ??t be more wrong! Because of Godâ??s grace, I donâ??t have to do anything to earn Godâ??s love or acceptance. I still want to do good things, not to earn Godâ??s love, but *because* he loves me.

Do you have people-pleasing habits that slip into your relationship with God? Let go of the stress and relax! Thanks to Godâ??s grace, none of us have to earn Godâ??s love!

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