



Title | The Purposes and Navigation
of Our Suffering, Part 2
Series | Suffering Embraced
Text | Romans 8:18-28
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Sermon Notes

Romans 8:18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. 19 For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. 20 For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope 21 that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. 22 For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. 23 And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. 24 For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? 25 But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. 26 Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. 27 And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. 28 And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. *ESV*

Big Idea:

Romans 8:28 And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. *ESV*

For Reflection and Application:

Monday:

Read Romans 8:18 and 2 Corinthians 4:17. From these verses, what can be said about suffering? What is the glory to be revealed?

Tuesday:

Read Romans 8:18-25. List every aspect of hope that you can find.

Wednesday:

Read Romans 8:26-27. Exactly how does the Spirit help us in our suffering?

Thursday:

Read Romans 8:28. What is the promise of this verse and to whom does it apply? How does this provide assurance in our suffering?

Friday:

From Romans 8:18-28, list all the reasons you can find for not losing heart, for not giving up on the Christian life, and for faithfully persevering in following Jesus in the face of hardship and suffering.

Daily Prayer:

Lord, thank you that, in my suffering, you give me hope, help, and assurance. Amen.

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