

ROMANS

“WHAT WE KNOW & WHAT WE DON’T”

Romans 8:18-30

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And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose.

Romans 8:28

WE KNOW the Holy Spirit provides us _____ in our _____ while we patiently wait for the final _____ of our _____ (Rom. 8:18-25).

★ Our present _____ cannot be compared to the future _____ that all believers will experience _____.

WE DON’T KNOW what to _____ for, but the Spirit helps us in our _____ (Rom. 8:26-27).

WE KNOW all things are working for the good of those who love God (Rom. 8:28-30).

“FOR GOOD” does not mean...

1. We are guaranteed _____ good and _____ in the world.
2. Freedom from _____ loss or _____.
3. _____ will work out according to our _____ plans.

“FOR GOOD” does mean...

1. All things will work together for the _____ good and _____ welfare of every believer.

“For the Christian every tragedy is ultimately a blessing, or God is a liar.”
~ R.C. Sproul ~

★ The Two Reasons Why We Experience Trials:

1. There are still parts of me that need to be refined and _____ to the _____ of Christ.
 2. To _____ up, by example, the _____ of Christ.
2. God guarantees the believer’s _____ from beginning to end.
 - ◆ God _____ (v. 29), which means _____ (1 Pet. 1:2, 20; Rom. 11:2; Acts 2:23).
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REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

- ◆ What is the purpose of hardships and trials in the life of a believer?
- ◆ What prevents you from trusting that God will work out everything for your ultimate good?
- ◆ What encourages you most about these truths?

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WE KNOW the Holy Spirit provides us _____ **hope** _____ in our **suffering** _____ while we patiently wait for the final **redemption** _____ of our _____ **bodies** (Rom. 8:18-25).

★ Our present _____ **sufferings** _____ cannot be compared to the future _____ **glory** _____ that all believers will experience **eternally** _____.

WE DON’T KNOW what to **pray** _____ for, but the Spirit helps us in our _____ **weakness** _____ (Rom. 8:26-27).

WE KNOW all things are working for the good of those who love God (Rom. 8:28-30).

“FOR GOOD” does not mean...

1. We are guaranteed _____ **temporal** _____ good and **prosperity** _____ in the world.
2. Freedom from _____ **personal** _____ loss or **persecution** _____.
3. **Situations** _____ will work out according to our **preconceived** _____ plans.

“FOR GOOD” does mean...

1. All things will work together for the _____ **spiritual** _____ good and _____ **eternal** _____ welfare of every believer.

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1. There are still parts of me that need to be refined and _____ **conformed** _____ to the _____ **image** _____ of Christ.
 2. To _____ **build** _____ up, by example, the _____ **body** _____ of Christ.
2. God guarantees the believer’s _____ **salvation** _____ from beginning to end.
 - ◆ God _____ **foreknew** _____ (v. 29), which means **‘foreloved’** _____ (1 Pet. 1:2, 20; Rom. 11:2; Acts 2:23).
 - ◆ God _____ **predestined** _____ (v. 29).
 - ◆ God _____ **called** _____ (v. 30).
 - ◆ God _____ **justified** _____ (v. 30).
 - ◆ God _____ **glorified** _____ (v. 30).

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