

<sup>1</sup>There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup>For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. <sup>3</sup>For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do.

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By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, 4in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.—Romans 8:1-4 ESV

"Because of the sinful corruption of unregenerate men, the law was powerless to produce righteousness. Yet through His incarnation, Christ became fully man by taking the outward appearance of sinful flesh, but He was completely without sin."

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"God's condemnation against sin was fully poured out on the sinless flesh of Christ—He fulfilled the righteous requirement of the law." —Dr. John MacArthur <sup>38</sup>For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup>nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

-Romans 8:38-39 ESV

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"All strength to endure and to conquer comes to us through Him that loved us. Without Him, we can do nothing— how wonderful, how glorious, how secure is the Gospel! Those who are in Christ Jesus are as secure as the love of God, the merit, power and intercession of Christ can make them. They are hedged around with mercy. They are enclosed in the arms of everlasting love."

—Charles Hodge

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.

-Romans 8:18 ESV

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It is a Personal Truth
"I consider"

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It is a Painful Truth "suffering"

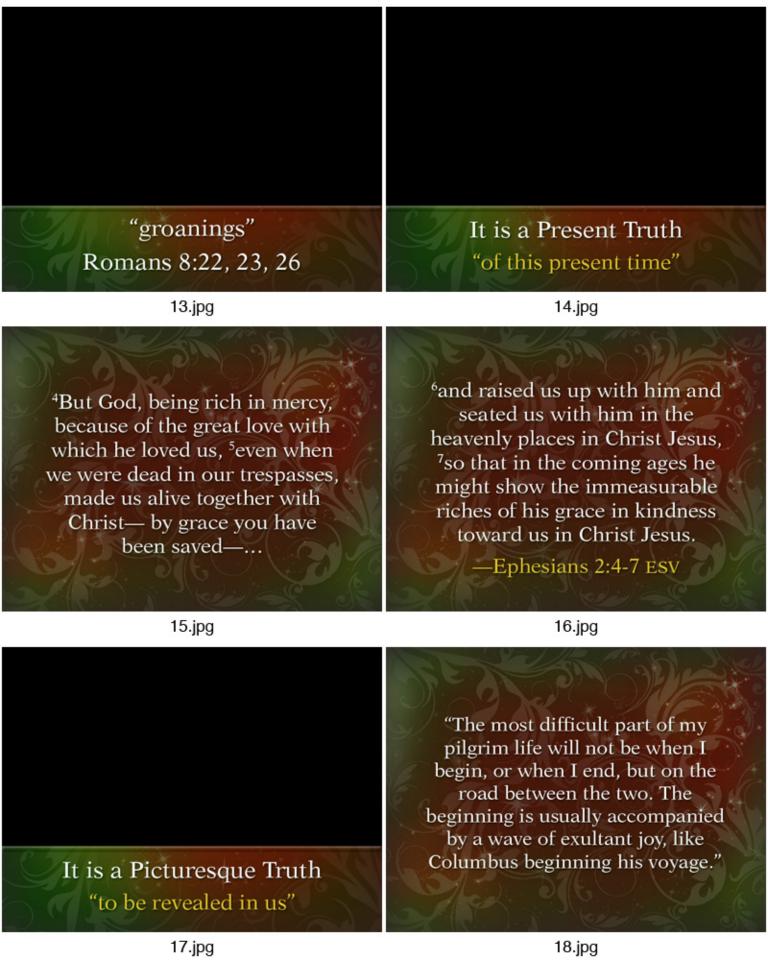
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<sup>15</sup>For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

—Romans 8:15-17 ESV

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"The end, though weary, is attended by the joys of accomplishment. But the road between has neither; therefore, I must be certain not to give up or give in. Many warnings in Scripture are addressed to me in that vulnerable stage:" ...

"wait upon the Lord and renew your strength" Isaiah 40:31

"run with patience the race set before you" Hebrews 12:1

"press toward the mark"

Philippians 3:14

"Lo, I am with you always"

Matthew 28:20

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"Life is hard, yet the same God who called me will surely stand by me until He brings me on to the final stage of the journey, and to the welcome shouts of the heavenly Zion." —W. Glyn Evans

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