

Common Wrong Responses to Trials

1. Embrace the unbiblical idea that God shields his children from life's trials.
2. Complain about our circumstances.
3. Grow angry with God or hold a grudge against Him.
4. Doubt God's character.
5. Doubt our salvation.
6. Pretend everything about our trials is good.
7. Comfort ourselves that God will quickly remove our trials.
8. Resign stoically to "our fate."

Romans 8 – The Absolute Security of the Christian

- I. God has delivered us from condemnation (1-4).
- II. God has changed & empowered us by His Spirit (5-13).
- III. God has adopted us as His children (14-17).
- IV. God has destined us for glory (18-25).

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Romans 8:18-25

IV. God has destined us for glory (18-25)

A. Our Future Glory Far Outweighs our Present Sufferings (18).

1. "The Sufferings of this Present Time" (18a)
2. "The Glory that is to Be Revealed to Us" (18b)
 - Seeing the glory of God!
 - Sharing the glory of God!
3. The Comparative Weight of Suffering and Glory (18) – "not worthy to be compared"

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A. Our Future Glory Far Outweighs our Present Sufferings (18).

B. Our Future Glory Provides Hope in our Present Sufferings (19-23).

1. Now, All Creation Groans, But Eagerly Waits for Future Glory (19-22).

a. The Fact (19)

b. The Reason (20-21)

1) God created the universe and it belongs to Him (20a).

2) God cursed the universe and it is not what it was created to be (20b).

3) God will renew the universe and it will be free of its curse (21).