

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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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).

c. The Picture (22)

Practical Lessons ...

1. Don't underestimate the importance of the early chapters of Genesis.
2. Don't be deceived: humans can't destroy the earth or save it.
3. Don't be surprised, discouraged, or frightened by the sufferings of this life.
 - a. We will have troubles and trials in this world.
 - b. God will be faithful to sustain us in them and to use them for our good.
 - c. What awaits us in the future completely eclipses all the trouble here.
4. Intentionally think about your future glory to gain hope in your present sufferings.