## "It's All Good"

## Romans 8:18-28 - April 30, 2017 Sermon Preached by Senior Pastor RD Wade

## **Life Application Notes**

8:28 God works in "everything"—not just isolated incidents—for our good. This does not mean that all that happens to us is good. Evil is prevalent in our fallen world, but God is able to turn every circumstance around for our long-range good. Note that God is not working to make us happy but to fulfill his purpose. Note also that this promise is not for everybody.

It can be claimed only by those who love God and are called by him, that is, those whom the Holy Spirit convinces to receive Christ. Such people have a new perspective, a new mind-set. They trust in God, not in worldly treasures; their security is in heaven, not on earth. Their faith in God does not waver in pain and persecution because they know God is with them.

8:29 God's ultimate goal for us is to make us like Christ (1 John 3:2). As we become more and more like him, we discover our true selves, the persons we were created to be. How can we become like Christ? By reading and heeding the Word, by studying his life on earth through the Gospels, by spending time in prayer, by being filled with his Spirit, and by doing his work in the world.

Metamorphosis: The process of transformation from an immature form to an adult form in two or more distinct stages; a change of the form or nature of a thing or person into a completely different one, by natural or supernatural means.



- 1. Sufferings to be proven as a true son. (vs. 18-19) (2 Corinthians 4:17) (Hebrews 5:8) Can you still remain loyal to Him in the midst of suffering?
- 2. Deliverance from bondage into His glorious liberty. (vs. 20-21) Vanity and Bondage Satan tempts and corrupts. (Galatians 5:1) (Galatians 2:4) (2 Corinthians 3:17)
- 3. Hopeful groaning and laboring together waiting for redemption. (vs. 22-25) "Groaning and Travailing in pain together" (1 Thessalonians 2:9)
- 4. Spirit led intercession according to God's will and purpose. (vs. 26-28)
  In times of infirmities, we need to be Spirit led. In times of infirmities, we need saints who are Spirit fed. (Romans 8:14)

On our own —we don't know how and what to pray. Its All Good to God if its according...His will and His purpose