

WHAT WE BELIEVE AND HOW WE BEHAVE—19

“How God Justifies The Ungodly?”

“He Saves the Ungodly for Eternity, BUT . . .”

Romans 8:18-27

Introduction: _____

I. FIRST, NOTICE HOW _____ SUFFERS (Romans 8:18-22).

A. First, creation is cursed by the _____ (8:20).

Note some things that happened because of man’s sin:

1. First, man’s sin is responsible for all natural _____.
2. Secondly, man’s sin is responsible for all natural _____.
3. Thirdly, man’s sin is responsible for all natural *decays*.

B. Secondly, the curse will be reversed in the _____ (8:21).

C. Thirdly, creation is “*groaning*” in the _____ (8:22).

II. SECONDLY, NOTE HOW THE _____ SUFFERS (Romans 8:23-25).

A. First, notice the Christian’s _____ in suffering (8:23).

* First, note how there is an undeniable _____ of suffering in the life of a true child of God (8:23a).

* Secondly notice there is an unmistakable _____ for suffering in the life of the child of God (8:23b).

It is here the Apostle gives three reasons Christians “*groan*.”

1. First, we are waiting for the final _____ of our inheritance (8:23b).
2. Secondly, we are “*groaning*” or waiting for the final _____ of our inheritance (8:23c).
3. Thirdly, we are “*groaning*” or waiting for the final _____ of our redemption (8:23c).

NOW, just how do we as Christians “*groan*”?

- a. First, we “*groan*” with the _____ of hope (8:24a).
- b. Secondly, we “*groan*” as we wait for without the _____ of sight (8:24b).
- c. Thirdly, we “*groan*” as we wait with an _____ of expectation and courage (8:25).

III. THIRDLY, CONSIDER HOW THE _____ SUFFERS (Romans 8:26-27).

A. First the Holy Spirit “*groans*” as he _____ us (8:26a).

B. Secondly, the Holy Spirit “*groans*” as He _____ for us (8:26b-27).

CONCLUSION:

1. The _____ the groan, the greater the glory!
2. The _____ the spirit, the stronger the support!