

## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

1. First, man’s sin is responsible for all natural disease.
2. Secondly, man’s sin is responsible for all natural disasters.
3. Thirdly, man’s sin is responsible for all natural decay.

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

C. Thirdly, creation is “groaning” in the present (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!