

A Study of the Book of ROMANS

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Introduction: Today we are going to look at one of the most beloved, but also misunderstood, verses in the Bible. Many believe that this verse contains the single greatest promise in the Bible for every true child of God.

I. The Context Of The Promise

Romans 8:18-19 "18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that is to be revealed to us. 19 For the anxious longing of the creation waits eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God."

Romans 8:26 "And in the same way the Spirit also helps our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we should, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words;"

Romans 8:28 "And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose."

II. The Content Of This Promise (Romans 8:28)

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	A.	This Promise is Not Claiming That	
		1.	All things are good
		2.	We can see good in all things
	В.	This Promise Is Claiming That	
		1.	God has a purpose for your life
Romans 8:29 "For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the first-born among many brethren;"			
		2.	God's purpose for your life includes <u>all</u> <u>things</u>
		3.	God is in control of all that happens to you

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Psalm139:16 "...in Thy book they were all written, the days that were ordained for me, when as yet there was not one of them."

Proverbs 16:9 "The mind of man plans his way, but the Lord directs his steps."

III. The Condition Of The Promise

A. The Condition Stated (Romans 8:28)

Romans 8:28 "And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose."

- B. The Condition Explained (Romans 8:29-30)
 - 1. "Foreknew"
 - 2. "Predestined"
 - 3. "Called"
 - 4. "Justified"
 - 5. "Glorified"

Romans 8:29-30 "²⁹ For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the first-born among many brethren; ³⁰ and whom He predestined, these He also called; and whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified."

Conclusion