Dig Deeper on Romans 8:18-27 for personal reading and Life Groups…



Here are some questions to help dig further into Romans 8:18-27…

1. What are the different kinds of suffering Christians you know (or in your lifegroup) are facing right now? How would you rate your own suffering at the moment out of 10? What is Paul saying in v18? How can you believe this, how can you remember this?

2. v19-22 Why would the creation be "standing on tiptoe" in expectation to see the children of God revealed? What difference should this make to a Christian view of…
    a. suffering?
    b. the creation and the environment?
    c. evangelism?

3. v23-25 speaks about the normal Christian life. How might it possible to have our expectations of Christian experience in this life set too high, or too low?

4. V26-27 What encouragement is it that the Spirit is praying for us with wordless groans? What difference might that make to…
    a. your prayers?
    b. your suffering?
    c. your future?

FOR PRAYER: Often in small groups when we are suffering, we ask for prayers that our circumstances will change (and there is nothing wrong with that). What also might we pray for from this passage?

Some resources ….

- **Overview** of Romans at Bibleproject.com here and here.
- We did a **seminar on the Holy Spirit** during Covid. The recording is here, and handout is here. Do come and chat if you have questions.
- **"Saved to sin no more"**. Book on 'Union with Christ' by Brad Wetherell.

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