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Romans 5, 6, 7 & 8

**“Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son...
an heir through God” (Gal. 4:7)**

STUDY NUMBER ONE – THE RESULTS OF A RELATIONSHIP – ROMANS 5:1-11

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v. 1 Therefore, having been made right by faith, we are having peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

v. 2 through whom also we have obtained our introduction (entree) by faith into this grace in which we stand; and we are rejoicing (exulting, glorying) in hope of the glory of God.

v. 3 And not only this, but we also are rejoicing (exulting, glorying) in our tribulations, knowing that this tribulation is producing endurance;

v. 4 and this endurance, character; and this character, hope;

v. 5 and this hope does not disappoint; because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

v. 6 For when we were still helpless, at the right time Christ died for the godless.

v. 7 For one will hardly die for a righteous man; though perhaps for the good man someone would even dare to die.

v. 8 But God is demonstrating His own love to us, because while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

v. 9 Much more therefore, having been justified now by His blood, we shall be saved through Him from the wrath.

v.10 For if while being enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

v.11 And not only this, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.

QUESTIONS:

1. Read Romans 5:1-11 and in your own words pull out the main thought of this passage.

2. How is a man made right with God, according to verse 1?

3. How is it that the Christian can glory in his tribulations, according to verses 3-5?

4. How does God demonstrate His love for us, according to verse 8?

5. What does the phrase “from the wrath” refer to in verse 9?

6. What does the word “reconciled” mean in verse 10?

7. What does it mean in verse 10 when he says, “We shall be saved by His life”?

8. Why are we rejoicing in verse 11?

9. Which verse in the study has meant the most to you?

10. What lesson have you learned from this study?

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

What are some of the lessons we can learn from this particular study?

LESSON #1: There are eight results of a relationship to the Lord Jesus Christ: 1) peace with God; 2) an introduction or an entree into this grace in which we stand; 3) glory in hope of the glory of God; 4) tribulation is producing endurance; 5) the love of God that has been poured in our hearts; 6) the Holy Spirit, who was given to us; 7) having been justified now by His blood we shall be saved through Him from the wrath; and 8) we rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ through whom we have now received the reconciliation.

LESSON #2: Ask yourself the question, "Have I ever been made right with God by faith? And therefore, I am experiencing peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

LESSON #3: Do you know anything about the fact that Jesus Christ died on the cross and shed His blood?

LESSON #4: By faith, have you ever applied that sacrifice to your own personal heart and life by faith receiving Christ as your own sacrifice for sin?

LESSON #5: The consequences of a relationship and the joy of the child of God is that he has now received the reconciliation that has become his through our Lord Jesus Christ.

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

STUDY NUMBER TWO – THE HOW OF THE RELATIONSHIP – ROMANS 5:12-21

v.12 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and through this sin, death, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned—

v.13 For until Law sin was in the world; but sin is not put to one's account where there is no law.

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v.14 But death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who had not sinned in the likeness of Adam's offense, who is a type of the One who was to come.

v.15 But the gracious gift is not like the transgression. For if by the transgression of the one the many died, much more the grace of God and the gift by grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abound to many.

v.16 And the gift is not like that which came through the one who sinned; for on the one hand the judgment was out of one transgression, resulting in condemnation, but on the other hand the gracious gift was out of many transgressions resulting in justification.

v.17 For if by the transgression of the one, death reigned through that one, much more those who are receiving the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.

v.18 So then, as through one transgression to all men there resulted condemnation; so also through one act of righteousness, to all men there resulted justification of life.

v.19 For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were constituted sinners, so also through the obedience of the One the many will be constituted righteous.

v.20 Now Law entered in alongside in order that the transgression might multiply; but where sin multiplied, grace was present in greater abundance,

v.21 in order that just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness, resulting in eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

QUESTIONS:

1. Read Romans 5:12-21 and in your own words pull out the main thought of this passage.

2. What is the consequence of Adam's sin, according to verse 12?

3. What did the law do, according to verse 13?

4. Who is the gift by grace, according to verse 15?

5. Contrast Adam and Christ in verses 17 & 18.

6. Why the law, according to verse 20?

7. Contrast sin and grace in verse 21.

8. What is the result of righteousness, according to verse 21?

9. Which verse in the study has meant the most to you?

10. What lesson have you learned from this study?

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

What are some of the lessons we can learn from this particular study?

LESSON #1: The claims of God's righteousness are clearly met in the death of Christ.

LESSON #2: The kingdom is fully and firmly established on the cross of Christ. All other ground is sinking sand.

LESSON #3: The believing sinner now has eternal life by being united to the last Adam, the raised and glorified Savior.

LESSON #4: We have seen the purpose of the Law coming that transgression might be revealed.

LESSON #5: It was in Adam that sin made its entry into the human race and death passed upon all men.

LESSON #6: Through Adam's sin came condemnation and judgment, through Christ and His act of righteousness, through His death upon Calvary's cross, there is now justification of life.

LESSON #7: There is forgiveness and cleansing and as a result of His obedience, many are constituted righteous simply by appropriating by faith what Christ has done upon Calvary's cross.

LESSON #8: Just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness resulting in eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

STUDY NUMBER THREE – THE RESPONSIBILITY TO THE RELATIONSHIP **– ROMANS 6:1-10**

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v. 1 What then shall we say? Are we to continue in sin in order that grace might increase?

v. 2 May it never be! How shall we who died to sin still live in it?

v. 3 Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death?

v. 4 Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, in order that in the same manner as Christ was raised up from the dead through the glory of the Father, so also we too might walk in a new life.

v. 5 For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death certainly we shall be also in the likeness of His resurrection;

v. 6 knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, in order that the sinful body may be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin;

v. 7 for the one who died has been freed from sin.

v. 8 Now if we died with Christ, we are believing that we shall also live with Him,

v. 9 knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, no longer is dying. Death no longer is exercising lordship over Him.

v.10 For the death He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life He lives, He lives to God.

QUESTIONS:

1. Read Romans 6:1-10 and in your own words pull out the main thought of this passage.

2. How does Paul feel about a careless attitude on the part of a Christian towards sin?

3. How are we identified with Jesus Christ, according to verses 3-5?

4. Why was the “old self” crucified in verse 6?

5. What is our condition as Christians, according to verse 7?

6. What are we believing, according to verse 8?

7. What is the relationship of death to Christ, according to verse 9?

8. What does verse 10 say about Christ’s death and His life?

9. Which verse in the study has meant the most to you?

10. What lesson have you learned from this study?

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

What are some of the lessons we can learn from this particular study?

LESSON #1: When Christ was put to death, we died in Him because we are in Him.

LESSON #2: The work of God did not stop there, for the Lord Jesus rose and ascended to His right hand.

LESSON #3: Because we are in Christ Jesus, we also were made alive with Him and raised and seated with Him in the heavenly places.

LESSON #4: We have a new standing in the presence of God and it is not something to which we attained, but something which is ours because we are in Christ.

LESSON #5: The facts which are historically true of Him become real also in our experience.

LESSON #6: We are in living union with Jesus Christ and as a result of that, we died with Him, we rose with Him, and being united with Him in this way we have risen to newness of life.

LESSON #7: The power of the old sin nature within us has been broken and we no longer find it necessary to serve sin, but we can walk in victory through our identification with the Lord Jesus Christ, a victory over sin.

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

STUDY NUMBER FOUR – SIN AND THE RELATIONSHIP – ROMANS 6:11-23

v.11 So also you consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

v.12 Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you are obeying its desires.

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v.13 Moreover, stop presenting the members of your body to sin as tools of wickedness; but present yourselves to God as those who are alive from the dead, and your members as tools of righteousness to God.

v.14 For sin shall not exercise lordship over you, for you are not under law, but under grace.

v.15 What then? Shall we sin because we are not under law but under grace? May it never be!

v.16 Are you not knowing that when you present yourselves to someone as slaves resulting in obedience, you are slaves of the one whom you are obeying, whether of sin resulting in death, or of obedience resulting in righteousness?

v.17 But thanks be to God that though you were slaves of sin, you obeyed from the heart to that form of teaching, for the learning of which you were given over,

v.18 and having been set free from sin, you were made slaves to righteousness.

v.19 I am speaking in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness, resulting in further lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness, resulting in sanctification.

v.20 For when you were slaves of sin, you were free with respect to righteousness.

v.21 Therefore, what fruit were you having then from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the outcome of those things is death.

v.22 But now, having been set free from sin and having been made bond-slaves of God, you are having your fruit, resulting in holiness, and the outcome, eternal life.

v.23 For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is life eternal in Christ Jesus our Lord.

QUESTIONS:

1. Read Romans 6:11-23 and in your own words pull out the main thought of this passage.

2. Describe the Christian's attitude, according to verse 11.

3. What are we to do about sin, according to verse 12?

4. Compare Romans 12:1, 2 with verse 13.

5. What is our relationship to the law, according to verse 14?

6. What are the results of sin and obedience, according to verse 16?

7. What is the fruit of our old way of life, according to verse 21?

8. What is the fruit of the new way of life, according to verse 22?

9. Which verse in the study has meant the most to you?

10. What lesson have you learned from this study?

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

What are some of the lessons we can learn from this particular study?

LESSON #1: Having come to Jesus Christ, we have been set free from sin, we have been made bondslaves of God, and we are having now a new relationship and that is we are presenting our members as slaves to righteousness which results in holiness.

LESSON #2: The Apostle has really challenged us in two areas: 1) in the area of the Lordship of Jesus Christ in our lives, resulting in the fruit of righteousness; and 2) the wages of sin which is death.

LESSON #3: Where do you stand? Have you come to know Jesus Christ as Savior?

LESSON #4: Have you received the free gift of righteousness in Jesus Christ?

LESSON #5: As a Christian, has He become not only your Savior, but your Lord?

LESSON #6: Is it your desire to be obedient to the things which He asks of you to do?

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

STUDY NUMBER FIVE – AN ILLUSTRATION OF THE RELATIONSHIP – ROMANS 7:1-6

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v. 1 For do you not know, brethren, for I am speaking to those who are knowing the law, that the law is ruling over the individual as long as he lives?

v. 2 For the married woman has been bound by law to her living husband; but if her husband dies, she has been released from the law of her husband.

v. 3 So then, if while her husband is living, she is joined to another man, she shall be called an adulteress; but if her husband dies, she is free from the law, so that she is not an adulteress, though she is joined to another man.

v. 4 Therefore, my brethren, you also were put to death to the Law through the body of Christ, resulting in your being joined to another, to the One who was raised from the dead, in order that we might bear fruit to God.

v. 5 For when we were in the flesh, the sinful passions were at work in our members through the Law to bear fruit for death.

v. 6 But now we having been released from the Law, having died to that by which we were being bound, so that we are serving in newness of the Spirit and not in oldness of the letter.

QUESTIONS:

1. Read Romans 7:1-6 and in your own words pull out the main thought of this passage.

2. How long does the law rule over an individual in verse 1?

3. When is the married woman released from the law of her husband, according to verse 2?

4. How does Paul apply the marriage illustration to us in verse 4?

5. Describe our condition in the past, according to verse 5.

6. What is our relationship now to the Law, according to verse 6?

7. What is our new relationship, according to the last part of verse 6?

8. Define what is meant by, "We are serving in the newness of the Spirit and not in the oldness of the letter."

9. Which verse in the study has meant the most to you?

10. What lesson have you learned from this study?

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

What are some of the lessons we can learn from this particular study?

LESSON #1: The apostle, in these six verses, has given us a picture of the relationship which is ours in Christ, and he has used marriage.

LESSON #2: Through this illustration, he has shown in our identification with Christ and His death we have been put to death to the Law.

LESSON #3: The result of this is we have been joined to another, even Christ in order that we might bear fruit to God.

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

STUDY NUMBER SIX – THE LAW IN THE RELATIONSHIP – ROMANS 7:7-13**NOTES**

v. 7 What therefore shall we say? Is the Law sin? May it never be! On the contrary, I would not have known sin except through the Law; for I would not have known evil desire except that the Law was saying: "You shall not desire evil."

v. 8 But sin, grasping an opportunity through the commandment, called forth within me every kind of evil desire; for without Law, sin is dead.

v. 9 And I was once alive without Law; but when the commandment came, sin became alive, and I died;

v.10 and this commandment, which was to result in life, I discovered to result in death for me.

v.11 For sin, grasping an opportunity through the commandment, deceived me, and through it killed me.

v.12 So then, the Law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.

v.13 Therefore, did that which is good become death for me? May it never be! Rather it was sin, in order that it might be shown to be sin by accomplishing my death through that which is good, in order that through the commandment sin might become sinful in the extreme.

QUESTIONS:

1. Read Romans 7:7-13 and in your own words pull out the main thought of this passage.

2. What is the function of the Law in Paul's life, according to verse 7?

3. According to verse 8, what did sin do when the Law was introduced?

4. What happens in verse 9?

5. What did sin do, according to verse 11?

6. How does Paul feel about the Law, according to verse 12?

7. How is it that the Law is holy and righteous and good?

8. Who is the real culprit, according to verse 13?

9. Which verse in the study has meant the most to you?

10. What lesson have you learned from this study?

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

What are some of the lessons we can learn from this particular study?

LESSON #1: Do you have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ?

LESSON #2: Do you have an introduction or access into His presence and are you hoping in the glory of God?

LESSON #3: Are you rejoicing in your tribulations, knowing that the tribulation is producing endurance and the endurance character and the character, hope.

LESSON #4: Is there an evidence of the love of God being poured out in you because of the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit?

LESSON #5: Can you truly point to a time when you were in Adam and now because of being born again into God's family, you now are in Jesus Christ?

LESSON #6: Have you, as a result of that union with Christ, become victorious in your life over the rule and reign of sin, and do you realize the potential for a victorious relationship presiding in this union with Christ?

LESSON #7: Have you given up on the human effort and recognized that the potential for the relationship presides not in the Law, but in the power of the union with Christ, which produces a fruit and the life eternal.

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

STUDY NUMBER SEVEN – CONDUCT AND THE RELATIONSHIP – ROMANS 7:14-25

v.14 For we are knowing that the Law is spiritual; but I am fleshly, having been sold under sin.

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v.15 For that which I am doing, I am not understanding; for I am not practicing that which I am desiring to do, but I am doing that which I am hating.

v.16 Now if I am doing that which I am not desiring, I am agreeing with the Law, that it is good.

v.17 So now, no longer am I the one doing it, but sin which indwells me.

v.18 For I am knowing that nothing good is dwelling in me, that is, in my flesh; for the being desirous is present in me, but the doing of the good is not.

v.19 For the good which I am desiring, I am not doing; but I am practicing the very evil that I am not desiring.

v.20 Now if I am doing the very thing I am not desiring, I am no longer the one doing it, but sin which dwells in me.

v.21 I am finding then the law, that evil is present in me, the one who is desiring to do good.

v.22 For I joyfully agree with the law of God concerning the inner man.

v.23 But I am seeing a different kind of law in my members warring against the law of my mind, making me a prisoner of war to the law of sin which is in my members.

v.24 Wretched man that I am! Who shall set me free out of the body of this death?

v.25 Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, on the one hand I myself with my mind am serving the law of God, but on the other, with my flesh the law of sin.

QUESTIONS:

1. Read Romans 7:14-25 and in your own words pull out the main thought of this passage.

2. How does Paul contrast himself to the Law in verse 14?

3. Describe Paul's frustration in verses 15-19.

4. Who is responsible for doing the wrong things, according to verse 20?

5. What has Paul discovered, according to verse 21?

6. Describe Paul's spiritual condition, according to verse 23.

7. How does Paul feel about himself, according to verse 24?

8. How does Paul summarize things in verse 25?

9. Which verse in the study has meant the most to you?

10. What lesson have you learned from this study?

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

What are some of the lessons we can learn from this particular study?

LESSON #1: The apostle has been underscoring the conflict between the old sin nature within us and the new divine nature that now resides as a result of our living in union with Christ.

LESSON #2: We may have victory in the conflict while we are still living here on earth.

LESSON #3: The Law of God represents the principle which controls the new nature and the law of sin equals the sin nature.

LESSON #4: There are two natures of the believer; 1) the old nature can only serve the law of sin; and 2) the new nature can only serve the Law of God.

LESSON #5: One nature must be prominent in the life of the believer.

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

STUDY NUMBER EIGHT – THE SPIRIT IN THE RELATIONSHIP – ROMANS 8:1-11

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v. 1 Therefore now there is no doom for those who are in Christ Jesus.
v. 2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus freed you from the law of sin and death.
v. 3 For what was impossible for the Law, because it was weak through the flesh, God, having sent His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and concerning sin, He condemned sin in the flesh,
v. 4 in order that the requirement of the Law might be fulfilled in us, who are not walking according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.
v. 5 For those who are according to the flesh are setting their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who are according to the Spirit, on the things of the Spirit.
v. 6 For the way of thinking of the flesh is death, but the way of thinking of the Spirit is life and peace;
v. 7 because the way of thinking of the flesh is hostile toward God; for it is not subjecting itself to the Law of God, for it is not even able to do so;
v. 8 and those who are in the flesh are not able to please God.
v. 9 But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God is dwelling in you. But if anyone is not having the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him.
v.10 Now if Christ is in you, on the one hand the body is dead because of sin, but on the other hand the Spirit is alive because of righteousness.
v.11 And if the Spirit of the One who raised Jesus from the dead is dwelling in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who is dwelling in you.

QUESTIONS:

1. Read Romans 8:1-11 and in your own words pull out the main thought of this passage.

2. Where is the victory, according to verse 1?

3. How are we freed, according to verse 2?

4. How are we to be walking, according to verse 4?

5. Contrast the flesh and the Spirit in verse 6.

6. What is the attitude of the flesh toward God according to verse 7?

7. What does Paul say about the flesh according to verse 8?

8. What does the absence of the Spirit prove in verse 9?

9. Which verse in the study has meant the most to you?

10. What lesson have you learned from this study?

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

What are some of the lessons we can learn from this particular study?

LESSON #1: What a joy that there is no doom or condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

LESSON #2: We have been completely forgiven of sin.

LESSON #3: Though our lives now fall far short of what they should be, the matter of sin will not break the relationship.

LESSON #4: The Law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has freed us from the law of sin and death.

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

STUDY NUMBER NINE – THE DEFINITION OF THE RELATIONSHIP – ROMANS 8:12-17**NOTES**

v.12 So then, brethren, we are those under moral obligation, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—

v.13 for if you are living according to the flesh, you are about to die; but if by the Spirit you are putting to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

v.14 For as many as are being led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.

v.15 For you have not received a spirit of slavery to cause you to fear, but you received the spirit of adoption by which we are crying out, Abba! Father!

v.16 The Spirit Himself is bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God.

v.17 And if children, also heirs; on the one hand heirs of God, on the other fellow-heirs with Christ, if indeed, we are suffering with Him in order that we may also be glorified together.

QUESTIONS:

1. Read Romans 8:12-17 and in your own words pull out the main thought of this passage.

2. What is the manifestation of living by the Spirit, according to verse 13?

3. Who are those who are led by the Spirit of God, according to verse 14?

4. Describe our relationship to God, according to verse 15.

5. What is one of the manifestations of the Spirit's presence in our lives, according to verse 15?

6. What evidence do we have of the fact that we have become children of God, according to verse 16?

7. Describe our inheritance, according to verse 17.

8. According to the last phrase in verse 17, what will be our ultimate destiny?

9. Which verse in the study has meant the most to you?

10. What lesson have you learned from this study?

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

What are some of the lessons we can learn from this particular study?

LESSON #1: The apostle has shared in these verses with us the tremendous thought of the relationship being defined as being sons of God.

LESSON #2: As a result of this new union with Jesus Christ, we have been taken out of slavery to law of works and placed as sons of God who have within us the Spirit of God bearing witness that we are children of God.

LESSON #3: As a result of this relationship, we have also been made heirs, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ.

LESSON #4: Ask yourself the question, "Am I a son of God? Have I been born again by the Spirit of God unto His family?"

LESSON #5: If you are His child, what an awesome responsibility it is to remember Whose we are and Who we represent.

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

STUDY NUMBER TEN – THE CONSUMMATION OF THE RELATIONSHIP – ROMANS 8:18-27

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v.18 For I am of the opinion that the sufferings of this present time are not to be compared with the glory which is about to be revealed to us.

v.19 For the anxious longing of the creation is awaiting eagerly for the revelation of the sons of God.

v.20 For the creation was subjected to frustration, not of its own free will, but because of Him who subjected it, in hope,

v.21 that the creation itself also will be set free from its slavery to decay into the liberty of the glory of the children of God.

v.22 For we are knowing that the whole creation is groaning together and suffering the pains of childbirth together until now.

v.23 And not only this, but also we ourselves who are having the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves are groaning within ourselves, waiting eagerly our adoption, the redemption of our body.

v.24 For in hope we have been saved, but hope that is seen is not hope; for why is one also hoping for what he is seeing?

v.25 But if we are hoping for that which we are not seeing, with patience we are waiting eagerly for it.

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v.26 And in the same way the Spirit also is helping us in our weakness; for we are not knowing how to pray as we should, but the Spirit Himself is interceding for us with sighs too deep for words;
v.27 and He who is searching the hearts is knowing what the mind of the Spirit is, because according to God He is interceding on behalf of the saints.

QUESTIONS:

1. Read Romans 8:18-27 and in your own words pull out the main thought of this passage.

2. How does Paul compare suffering and glory in verse 18?

3. What is the desire of creation, according to verse 19?

4. What is going to happen to creation, according to verse 21?

5. What are we as believers waiting for, according to verse 23?

6. How does Paul describe our condition in verses 24 & 25?

7. How is the Spirit helping us in verse 26?

8. What function is being carried out in verse 27?

9. Which verse in the study has meant the most to you?

10. What lesson have you learned from this study?

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

What are some of the lessons we can learn from this particular study?

LESSON #1: Through our relationship to Jesus as we look forward to the ultimate deliverance from the curse of sin to the glorious future He has for us, that will enable us to continue with patient perseverance through the suffering and trials of the present experience.

LESSON #2: What we have to suffer now can't be compared to the glory coming soon.

LESSON #3: It is the CROSS then the CROWN. It is the GORY then the GLORY. It is the SUFFERING then the SALVATION.

LESSON #4: While we are waiting with passionate longing for the Savior's coming, Titus 2:12-13 tells us what to do: "It trains us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, as we wait for the happy fulfillment of our hope in the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ" (NET).

LESSON #5: The creation will be freed from the curse when our Lord returns.

LESSON #6: "Weeping may remain for a night, but rejoicing comes in the morning" (Psa. 30:5 NIV).

LESSON #7: Are you confident and waiting in hope for His soon coming?

LESSON #8: The Spirit not only creates hope in us, but also provides help for our infirmities.

LESSON #9: The Spirit helps us when we hurt so bad we can't say anything.

LESSON #10: The Lord is continually searching our hearts. What is He finding there?

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

STUDY NUMBER ELEVEN – THE FATHER IN THE RELATIONSHIP – ROMANS 8:28-30**NOTES**

v.28 And we are knowing that for those who are loving God, all things He is working together for good, for those who are called in accordance with His purpose.

v.29 Because whom He foreknew, He also decided upon beforehand those who were to be like his Son in appearance to the end, that He might by the first-born among many brethren.

v.30 Now those whom He decided upon beforehand, these He also called; and those whom He called, these He also justified; and those whom He justified, these He also glorified.

QUESTIONS:

1. Read Romans 8:28-30 and in your own words pull out the main thought of this passage.

2. For whom do all things work together for good, according to verse 28?

3. What do you think the phrase “all things He is working together for good” means in verse 28?

4. What does it mean in verse 29 when it says “He foreknew” and “He decided upon beforehand”?

5. What is God's ultimate objective with us, according to verse 29?

6. Who does the "He" refer to in the last part of verse 29?

7. Trace out God's program in verse 30.

8. Define the key phrases "decided upon beforehand," "called," "justified" and "glorified."

9. Which verse in the study has meant the most to you?

10. What lesson have you learned from this study?

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

What are some of the lessons we can learn from this particular study?

LESSON #1: The promise in verse 28 is for those who are loving God.

LESSON #2: The things that are happening in our lives are in harmony with the predetermined program to bring us into conformity with His Son.

LESSON #3: ALL THINGS He is working together for good.

LESSON #4: "As for you, you meant to harm me, but God intended it for a good purpose, so he could preserve the lives of many people, as you can see this day" (Genesis 50:20 NET).

LESSON #5: The Lord who leads armies makes this solemn vow: "Be sure of this: Just as I have intended, so it will be; just as I have planned, it will happen" (Isa. 14:24 NET).

LESSON #6: When you find yourself in the cellar of affliction, start looking for the wine.

LESSON #7: "Though the cherry trees don't blossom and the strawberries don't ripen, Though the apples are worm-eaten and the wheat fields stunted, Though the sheep pens are sheepless and the cattle barns empty, I'm singing joyful praise to God. I'm turning cartwheels of joy to my Savior God. Counting on God's Rule to prevail, I take heart and gain strength. I run like a deer. I feel like I'm king of the mountain!" (Hab. 3:17-19 MSG).

LESSON #8: He predestinates 100 sheep. He elects 100 sheep. He justifies 100 sheep. He will glorify 100 sheep.

LESSON #9: The big question we must face now is where are we in this process? Is He calling you right now?

LESSON #10: The Lord is saying: "I look on you as you are going to be not the way you are now."

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v.31 What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who could be against us?

v.32 Indeed, He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how will He not also with Him graciously give us all things?

v.33 Who will bring a charge against God's chosen out ones? God is the one who justifies;

v.34 Who is the one who is condemning? Christ Jesus is He who died, yes, rather who has been raised, who is at the right hand of God, who also is interceding for us.

v.35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation or distress or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword?

v.36 Even as it stands written, "For your sake we are being put to death all the day long. We were considered as sheep to be slaughtered."

v.37 But in all things we are winning a most glorious victory through the one who loved us.

v.38 For I stand convinced that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities, nor things present nor things about to come, nor powers,

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v.39 nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

QUESTIONS:

1. Read Romans 8:31-39 and in your own words pull out the main thought of this passage.

2. What is the significance of the statement in verse 31, "If God is for us, who could be against us?"

3. How do we know that God will graciously give us all things, according to verse 32?

4. What has Christ done for us, according to verse 34?

5. Through whom are we winning the victory, according to verse 37?

6. List the ten things in verses 38 & 39 that Paul gives as things that cannot separate us from the love of God.

7. What do you think Paul means by "height nor depth" in verse 39?

8. Where does the love of God for us reside, according to verse 39?

9. Which verse in the study has meant the most to you?

10. What lesson have you learned from this study?

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

What are some of the lessons we can learn from this particular study?

LESSON #1: God is for us and working all things together for good.

LESSON #2: The world, the flesh, and the devil may set themselves in array against us but they are no match for God who is on our side.

LESSON #3: Bring in all the world, a thousand foes, unnumbered ills. God is greater and the victory is ours.

LESSON #4: What God has already done seals what He will still do.

LESSON #5: No one can bring a charge when God clears the slate.

LESSON #6: Christ's love, His power, His death, His resurrection, His intercession and our union with Him delivers us from any possibility of condemnation.

LESSON #7: The seven things that are mentioned in verse 35 are part of the "all things" which God uses to work together for our good to produce Christlikeness in us.

LESSON #8: We can shout "we won" over the victory that was accomplished by Calvary and the empty tomb over 2000 years ago.

LESSON #9: Paul lists 10 things in verses 38 & 39 that shall not be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

LESSON #10: This list covers everything from every direction and every experience of life that can happen in this world to a Christian.

LESSON #11: Join me in singing the Doxology: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him all creatures here below, Praise Him above Ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost." Amen.

ADDITIONAL NOTES:
