

Vintage: Changing Times. Changeless God.

Week 8: Life On The New Earth

Weekly Summary: Why do bad things happen to good people? Why do we suffer if God is so powerful and so loving? Why believe in God in a broken world like this? Romans 8 provides us with solid answers to the questions which have long troubled Christians and non-Christians alike.

- ❖ Romans 8:18 - I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.

Romans 8:19 - For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed.

- ❖ Philippians 3:20-21 - But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, 21 who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.



- ❖ Romans 8:20-21 - For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope 21 that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God.

Romans 8:22 - We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time.

- ❖ “**This!**” = This is a glimpse of glory.

- ❖ **“That!”** = That will never happen in glory.
- ❖ Romans 8:23-25 - Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. 24 For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? 25 But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.



- ❖ Titus 2:13 - ...while we wait for the blessed hope—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ,...
- ❖ **You** are worth the wait.

Points to Ponder

1. Read 1 Corinthians 15:35-49, the longest section on our resurrected bodies. List two new things you learned about the resurrection of the dead from this section.
2. What is the worst physical pain you have suffered? How did you react spiritually to that pain? How might today’s message have helped?
3. Think of a loved one who is suffering. Craft a compassionate and hope-filled plan to help them. Consider sharing today’s message with them via the 922Church App.

Homework For Next Week: Romans 9:1-11:36

*“I believe in the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen!”
~ The Apostles Creed*

Worship Through Song at The CORE:

1. "You Never Let Go" - by Jeremy Camp
2. "Mighty To Save" - by Jeremy Camp
3. "Oceans" - by Hillsong
4. "More Than Conquerors" - by Rend Collective Experiment