

Finding God in the Struggle

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Remember: you do not have to do the entire study (you may not have time) – you can choose what questions you want to discuss.

Read Romans 8:18-39

1. How is conservation of the environment part of our calling to follow Jesus? Why is this so?
2. Why does Paul use the image of childbirth in this passage? What point does this make?
3. Why is it important that we enter into the struggles we see around us in this world?
4. What is our vocation? What have we been created for? What does God expect from us in this situation?
5. How does the Spirit help us in our weakness?
6. How does the Spirit help us to pray and help us know what to pray for? Why is this?
7. What part do we have to play in the restoration and renewal of this world?
8. What are your experiences of finding God in the struggles of this broken world we inhabit?
9. What is Paul's point in verses 28-29? What does it mean to be conformed to the image of Jesus in our relationship with the world?
10. If you rewrote the list in verses 38-39 what are the things that you might write down that you sometimes think might separate you from God? Why?
11. How are you working to reveal God's transforming power in the world at the moment?

Prayer points:

- Continue to pray for the people of Indonesia.
- Pray for whatever it is right now that God is calling you to be a part of changing in his world.