The Good Life: Finding comfort in your Savior rather than your circumstances.

Romans 8:26-39

The Good Life is all about finding your <u>comfort</u> in the arms of your dear Savior rather than the <u>circumstances</u> surrounding you.

The same Spirit that leads us to <u>hope</u> for our future in Christ helps us to <u>persevere</u> in our faith through our present sufferings.

God's plan and purpose for everyone who loves Him is the same- to <u>glorify Him</u> with your life until you are <u>with Him in glory</u>.

In his goodness and grace God keeps His promise to you in Christ.

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Camp One: God Chooses

Romans 8:29-30

John 15:15-16

Camp Two: Man Chooses

Romans 10:9-10

John 3:16

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Hear the Gospel
Holy Spirit Regenerates - Saved - Faith and Repentance
Faith and Repentance - Saved - Holy Spirit Regenerates
Fruit of the Spirit
Follow in believers baptism
Pursue God's purpose and plan with your life

No one is saved against his or her will.

No one who calls upon the name of the Lord for salvation will be denied.

The promise that God has made to you cannot, and will not, be <u>hindered</u> by sin and the evil of others and the world.

Three ways God's promise encourages and comforts us in verses 28-30:

- 1. In your suffering stay faithful.
- 2. In the midst of your tribulations your salvation is secure.
- 3. Your tribulations are bad, but the future that waits for you is better and more glorious than you can even imagine.

Your suffering is not because God <u>doesn't love</u> <u>you</u>, but His love will see you through the <u>present darkness</u> you are facing.

In the middle of our suffering the Holy Spirit leads us to find our comfort in our <u>Savior</u> rather than our <u>circumstances</u>.

In the middle of your suffering the Holy Spirit reminds us that Jesus is <u>with us in the fire</u>. There is nothing, and no one, that can separate those <u>who are in Christ</u> from God's love.

Your circumstances will <u>never be enough</u> to give you peace, joy, contentment, and comfort in all things.

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