

Romans

Week 6 Homework

Preparing for the Study

1. Begin with prayer. Read Romans 8:1-39. This week we are focusing on Romans 8:18-39

Observations

1. Romans 8:18 refers to suffering we experience in this lifetime are not worthy to be compared to the glory coming. Using 2 Corinthians 4:17-18 also, what does Paul want us to “consider” and how might that affect the way you view suffering?
2. Based on Romans 8:19-25 who is groaning and what are they waiting for?
3. The Spirit intercedes for us with deep groanings (Romans 8:26-27). Based on verse 26 why do we need the Spirit to intercede for us?
4. Romans 8:28 is an often mis-quoted verse. Let’s make sure we truly understand it.
 - a. Does God cause all things to work together for good for everyone or who specifically? (Romans 8:28)
 - b. Using Romans 8:29-30 what is God’s good plan? Could God’s plan be different than our definition of “good”?
5. Romans 8:31-39 Paul gives a series of questions and answers. Based on these verses answer the following questions
 - a. If God is for us, who can be against us? Romans 8:31
 - b. If God gave His own Son, won’t He give us freely all other good things? Romans. 8:32
 - c. Who can bring a charge against God’s elect? Romans 8:33
 - d. Who is the one who condemns? Romans 8:34
 - e. Who can separate us from the love of God? Romans 8:35-39
6. Romans 8:36 is hard to embrace. Look up the following verses and record your thoughts that might help you understand this verse.
 - a. Romans 8:18
 - b. Revelation 12:10-11
 - c. John 15:18-21
 - d. 2 Corinthians 12:9-10

Let’s think a little deeper

7. How do you reconcile Romans 8:28 with Romans 8:36 considering all you studied this week?
8. Read Romans 8:35-39 one last time. How does God’s love encourage you? How should God’s love affect your life?