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# EUTURE ROMANS 8:18-25



## TO RAISE UP ANOINTED DISCIPLE MAKERS WHO ARE EMPOWERED TO CHANGE THEIR WORLD FOR CHRIST.







# 2024 - OUR OF GREATER GLORY













# **Romans 8:18-25 NIV**

18 I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. 19 For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. 20 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[a] the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God.





# **Romans 8:18-25 NIV**

22 We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. 23 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.





# OUR FUTURE GLORY IS GREATER THAN OUR PRESENT SUFFERINGS







2 Corinthians 11:23-33 23 Are they servants of Christ? (I am out of my mind to talk like this.) I am more. I have worked much harder, been in prison more frequently, been flogged more severely, and been exposed to death again and again. 24 Five times I received from the Jews the forty lashes minus one. 25 Three times I was beaten with rods, once I was pelted with stones, three times I was shipwrecked, I spent a night and a day in the open sea,





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26 I have been constantly on the move. I have been in danger from rivers, in danger from bandits, in danger from my fellow Jews, in danger from Gentiles; in danger in the city, in danger in the country, in danger at sea; and in danger from false believers. 27 I have labored and toiled and have often gone without sleep; I have known hunger and thirst and have often gone without food; I have been cold and naked. 28 Besides everything else, I face daily the pressure of my concern for all the churches. 29 Who is weak, and I do not feel weak? Who is led into sin, and I do not inwardly burn?





2 Corinthians 11:23-33 30 If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness. 31 The God and Father of the Lord Jesus, who is to be praised forever, knows that I am not lying. 32 In Damascus the governor under King Aretas had the city of the Damascenes guarded in order to arrest me. 33 But I was lowered in a basket from a window in the wall and slipped through his hands.





### **Revelation 21:4-5 NLT** He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever."





## Genesis 3:17

17 To Adam he said, "Because you listened to your wife and ate eat from it,'

"Cursed is the ground because of you; through painful toil you will eat food from it all the days of your life.

# fruit from the tree about which I commanded you, 'You must not





# **Romans 8:20-21**

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





# OUR PRESENT SUBPRESENT IS TEMPORAL







# John 16:21 A woman giving birth to a child has pain because her time has of her joy that a child is born into the world.

come; but when her baby is born she forgets the anguish because





### John 16:33 33 "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."





**Romans 8:24-25 NIV** 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.





# **OURHOPE** IS FOUND IN CHRIST







## Mark 15:33-34 NIV afternoon. 34 And at three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" (which means "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?").



33 At noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the



### Philippians 2:8-11 And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death even death on a cross!





### Philippians 2:8-11 9 Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, 10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.





## Romans 8:17

17 And since we are his children, we are his heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory. But if we are to share his glory, we must also share his suffering.





## Present suffering



## Future Glory











### **Ephesians 6:10 AMP** In conclusion, be strong in the Lord [draw your strength from Him and be empowered through your union with Him] and in the power of His [boundless] might.











## Luke 18:1 Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up.





# 3. WORSHIP THE LORD AND BE JOYFUL.







### Psalm 100 1 Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. 2 Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.





# 4. VIEW EVERYTHING THROUGH GOD'S PERSPECTIVE.







## James 1:2 Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters,[a] whenever you face trials of many kinds





# 5. FOCUS ON THE GOODNESS OF GOD.







### **Roman 8:28** 28 And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them.











### **Philippians 3:12** 12 Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me











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