

Romans: Together For The Gospel

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Introduction

Paul reminds us, because of our adoption we have a glorious future to look forward to it. He encourages followers of Christ to persevere, endure the sufferings of this world as we wait eagerly for what is to come.

Discussion Questions

- How has our study in Romans chapter 8 challenged you in your relationship with Christ? What are some things that you have learned or been reminded of?
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Consider Peter’s words in 1 Peter 1:4-5.
- Why is creation in “bondage to corruption”? Is Paul talking about human creation or is he including subhuman creation? Why is this significant?
- Why does Paul illustrate our groaning and creation’s groaning with the pains of childbirth?
- This hope that we have in Christ is different from the hope that we often talk about (*I hope I win the lottery*). What’s the difference in the hope that Paul discusses and the hope that we are more familiar with in our day to day lives?