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The Groaning

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Romans 8:18-28

I. What can we learn from this passage?

- A. The _____ that we do in this life cannot be compared to the _____ that we will see in the future. V. 18
- B. Creation was cursed when _____ fell. Creation longs for the change that will come in the future. V. 19-21
- C. The curse of creation is _____ something in mankind that is worth the suffering. Creation is groaning. V. 22
- D. We groan, wanting our new bodies that God has _____ that He will give to His children. V. 23
- E. Our _____ helps us in our suffering because we stand firmly on His promises. V. 24-25
- F. The Holy Spirit groans for us as a _____ to the Father during times when our minds just cannot put our prayers into words. V. 26-27
- G. God uses all of our _____ to work good things in us in order to fulfill His purpose in our lives. V.28

II. How can we apply this to our life?

- A. We need to see suffering as something _____ that produces great things in us. This is the Better vs. Bitter choice that we can make.
- B. We must take _____ for our environment around us. The suffering of creation was because of us and we must do our part to be good stewards of the earth.
- C. We must _____ our treasures into heaven. This life is not all that there is.
- D. We must know the promises of God and daily stand on these _____. God cannot lie!
- E. We must take time to just _____ the Holy Spirit to pray for you. It is ok to not know just how to put it into words. Also, learn what Scripture teaches about praying in the Spirit.
- F. We must learn to see God _____ in us and through us even in hard times.