

## The Heart of the Matter

Lesson 11

Romans 8:18-27

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<p><b>Romans 8:18-27</b></p> <p><b>Present Suffering and Future Glory</b></p> <p><sup>18</sup> I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. <sup>19</sup> For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. <sup>20</sup> For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup> that<sup>it</sup> the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God.</p> <p><sup>22</sup> We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time. <sup>23</sup> Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup> For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? <sup>25</sup> But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.</p> <p><sup>26</sup> In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. <sup>27</sup> And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God.</p>			

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<p><b>Footnotes:</b></p> <p>h. Romans 8:21 Or <i>subjected it in hope.</i><sup>21</sup> For</p>			
<p><b>Summary:</b></p>			

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Suffering vs. Future Glory

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**Scriptures:**

Job 13:15-16a

Heb. 4:15-16

1 Peter 4:12-13

**Questions:**

How are you (or someone you love) suffering right now? Make a list of the possible ways God might use this for future glory.

How has God redeemed suffering in your past?

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Lecture Notes

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Prayer Requests

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