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from Paul's Prophecy in Romans 8

I shortened and simplified these
slides as far as I should and
as far as I can.

I chose not to bring in many cross-
references to manage time and
be kind to your mind.

For those that want more:

48-Minute Sermon and Decent Outline (2007)

<https://letgodbetrue.com/sermons/index/year-2007/whole-creation-groaneth/>

7-Sermons and Very Detailed Outline (2011)

Not Available on the Website Yet, But Available from Presenter in Word or PDF

What has Jesus of Nazareth
obtained for us when He comes?

You are about to learn or review
coming events that crush
all earth history.

4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

5 And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

Revelation 21:4-5

6 And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.

7 He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

Revelation 21:6-7

But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

Revelation 21:8

What a Difference!

No Pain ... or ... Perpetual Pain

10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

11 Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness,

II Peter 3:10-11

12 Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

13 Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

14 Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

II Peter 3:12-14

A New Heaven and New Earth!

This Should Change Our Lives!

We should look for it!

We should want it to hasten!

25 Of old hast thou laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the work of thy hands.

26 They shall perish, but thou shalt endure: yea, all of them shall wax old like a garment; as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed:

27 But thou art the same, and thy years shall have no end.

Psalm 102:25-27

David knew about a new heaven
and new earth in 1000 B.C.

10 And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands:

11 They shall perish; but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment;

12 And as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.

Hebrews 1:10-12

David, Paul, Peter, and John told
us about a new universe!

Many Christians love Romans 8.

Let us learn or review the
verses 17-25 tonight.

17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

18 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

19 For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.

20 For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope,

21 Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

22 For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.

23 And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

24 For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for?

25 But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.

17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

- We are the children of God, proven by walking in the Spirit and *Abba, Father*.
- Being adopted into a wealthy family means an inheritance will be included.
- But this is no wealthy family – this is the family of the infinite Jehovah God.
- We are heirs of God Himself – it is His assets He shares with His children.
- Jesus our Brother and Savior will share the spoils of His victory at Calvary.
- The evidence or proof we are children and heirs is our discipleship with Him.
- The inheritance God will give is to be glorified in a new universe with Christ.

Do you understand this enough ...
does it excite you enough ... that
you are willing to suffer with Him?

If you will not suffer with Him,
then you will suffer from Him,
as we saw in the second death.

The suffering Paul mentioned is
the proof that you will
be glorified.

18 For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

- Verse 17 ended with *glorified together* ... Paul then told us just how glorious.
- *Reckon* is an accounting term ... Paul used it here for a comparative analysis.
- *Suffering* did not fit well with an inheritance, until you understand the glory.
- Tonight, you are in *this present time* ... what is coming is your eternal future.
- Paul compared earthly suffering to future glory... but there is no comparison.
- Think about it ... most of you have truly never suffered ... but Paul sure had.
- The Holy Spirit chose to identify the glory that will be *in* us, not just to us.

What in this life gets your greatest
attention and affection?

Make sure God and His Son and
heaven are far above that
vain soap bubble.

19 For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.

- Verse 17 and verse 18 both ended with coming glory of a very great kind.
- Verse 17 – *glorified together with him*. Verse 18 – *glory revealed in us*. Glory!
- This coming transcendent event involving us is sought earnestly by another.
- *The creature ... is waiting ... with earnest expectation ...* for us to be glorified.
- It is the *whole creation* (v.22) of irrational creatures and inanimate matter.
- It is personified by Paul as *the creature* like Solomon personified wisdom.
- This is the change of the universe Peter described and said Paul had done so.
- Our manifestation to the universe is the incredible event for God's glory.

We can call it the final phase ...
but it is the formal, official, very
public declaration of our salvation.

20 For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope,

- *The creature = whole creation = irrational creatures and inanimate matter.*
- *The creature = whole creation = Paul's personification, so willingly and hope.*
- Personification, as with Lady Wisdom, or Uncle Sam, has personal attributes.
- *The creature ... is waiting ... for a change ... and endures vanity not willingly.*
- The whole creation (v.22) was cursed by God, not for its sin, but for our sin.
- Chaos, confusion, corruption, decay, degradation, dysfunction, death for sin.
- But the same God that cursed His creation has also got a glorious plan for it.
- There will be a glorious new universe in righteousness without sin's curse.

The universe around you of
animals and matter was
not like it is now.













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In God we trust
ONE DOLLAR







It will be restored to its original
glory or made better in
the new universe.

21 Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

- What does the *because* mean? It explains the hope of the whole creation.
- *The creature* cannot be us ... for it is clearly separated by *itself* and by *also*.
- *The creature* cannot be us ... for *itself* is singular impersonal against *children*.
- The corruption that produces great vanity in the creation is due to sin.
- It is the bondage of corruption, because the creation was made subject to it.
- We have Lady Liberty in New York Harbor, but there is better liberty coming.
- We are in bondage ourselves, and those over 40 or 60 or 80 know it better.
- *Glorious liberty* = fabulous freedom from things causing us pain in this life.

Yes, Jesus saved us from hell!

He also saved us to great glory!

Real liberty ... Real freedom
is defeat of sin and its
horrible curse.

22 For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.

- Here the words *whole creation* now replace the personification *the creature*.
- The Bible expects us to know universal rules – the rule here is universal pain.
- Universal rules are simple or defined – like second law of thermodynamics.
- Every pet dies. Every flower fades and dies. Everything we know decays/rots.
- *Groaning and travailing in pain* are attributes of a person - personification.
- The adverb *together* indicates plurality of many creatures for a coming *they*.
- What we know – corruption, decay, death – will be replaced by unknown.
- They have been in pain for a long time and are still so now ... but not forever.

Science can only observe
the here and now.

But we know the future with the
certainty of the present by the
promise of God in the Bible.

23 And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

- More proof the *whole creation* is not us ... *they, ourselves (3), also, even*.
- The *whole creation* was used in verse 22 with *together*, the plurality of *they*.
- First person versus third person – Paul identifies himself and Roman hearers.
- The *firstfruits of the Spirit* can intend apostles and first giving of the Spirit.
- The *firstfruits of the Spirit* better applies to the earnest of all coming later.
- Paul and we all groan, not to be unclothed, but clothed upon from heaven.
- Final phase of salvation is future, even Paul, and facet timelines are glorious.







God sealed us with the Holy Spirit
as earnest of our inheritance
until the redemption of the
purchased possession.

The Holy Spirit declares God's love
to us and causes us to declare
our love back to God.

24 For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for?

- The coordinating conjunction *for* applies it all to a gift of grace called HOPE.
- Bible Christianity has great hope, which is one reason we deny Preterism.
- If we do not know these things and remember, we are most miserable men.
- We must preach these things, talk of them, sing of them, remember them.
- Our hope saves us from the despair of the whole creation and us decaying.
- Our hope saves us from seeking out false purpose and pleasure in this life.
- We must not be like Asaph and other Bible examples. Great glory is coming!
- We cannot see glory, but we believe His words ... *faith is the substance of...*

What is your great hope tonight?

To get married?

To take a vacation?

To get promoted?

To avoid Covid-19?

To buy a house?

To be lots happier?

To retire soon?

To have more babies?

The hope of Jesus' return totally
crushes all earthly hopes
in every way.

But how sure are these things
you have told me tonight?

25 But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.

- Our hope is based on God's revealed promises, so it is as sure as His promise.
- Since our hope of the unseen is based on His promises, we simply wait for it.
- Our hope is not some variable guessing or fantasizing of events, but waiting.
- Hope is a glorious gift of grace (Rom 15:13), and we should build it by faith.
- Hope is increased by faith, which is increased by God's word, like tonight.
- The hope of the wicked will be destroyed ... our hope will be realized. Glory!
- If you are saved ... future glory in a new universe is more sure than sunrise.
- If you are not saved ... future damnation in the lake of fire is just as certain.

Wherefore
comfort yourselves together,
and edify one another,
even as also ye do.

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